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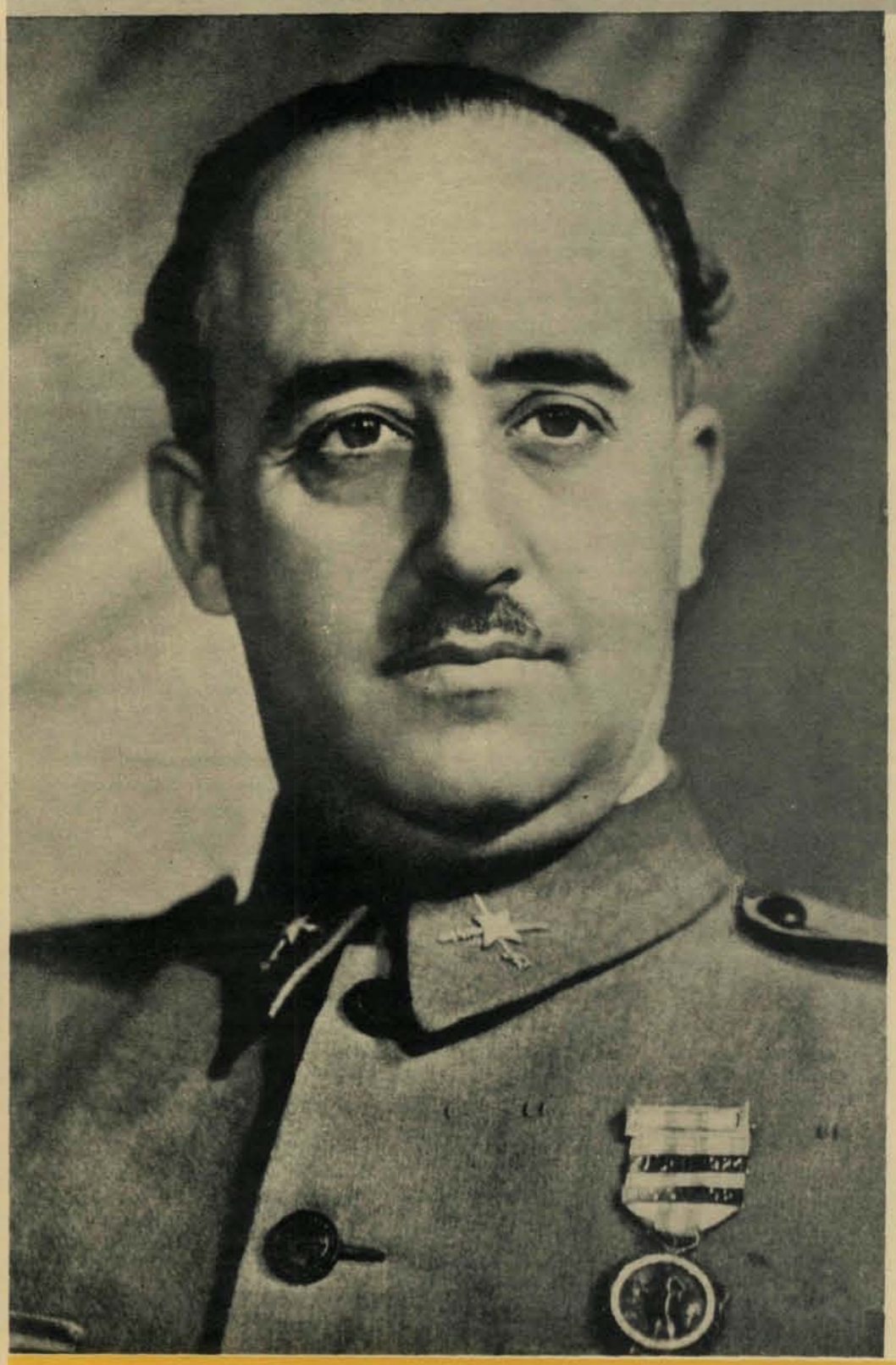
POPE CALLS GEN. FRANCO SAVIOR OF CIVILIZATION



SPAIN FOR SPANIARDS TO BE CHRISTIAN STATE, NOT A HITLER 'PUPPET'

BURGOS, SPAIN—Generalissimo Francisco Franco has assured Pope Pius XII that the new Spain will be for the Spaniards. Accompanying that assurance is the pledge that unsound racialism will be ostracized from his program.

Not only do the early training and practices of General Franco indicate his future activities; his most recent approach to representatives of the Vatican assures the world that he regards the Papacy as a supra-national authority in matters of faith and morals.

Following these assurances, His Holiness Pius XII issued the now famous pronouncement that Franco, to his mind, is considered the savior of civilization!

From these words the government of the Third Reich should not glean any undue encouragement. In no sense was His Holiness approving Naziism when he congratulated Franco. No one in Burgos or throughout Spain who understands the ideology of the Spanish Nationalists identifies it with the theory of Nazism. Only the radicals in France, England, Russia and America have chosen to regard the two systems even as similar.

It is true that Nazi troops assisted the Nationalists of Spain—not because Franco was re-instituting Christianity, but because it offered an opportunity to the Third Reich to strike a blow at their political enemies, the Bolshevists.

Franco considers Bolshevists not only political enemies but also spiritual opponents.

Already, the material face of Spain is undergoing a change. Hundreds of thousands of ex-soldiers are assigned to engineering divisions engaged in rebuilding bridges and repairing public works; and otherwise effacing the ravages of three years of civil war.

Behind the scenes, and unnoticed by the major portion of foreign news correspondents, the clergy, the informed laity and the Christian educators are busy piecing together the abstract structure of a Christian State based upon "Quadragesimo Anno" and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Whoever regards Franco as a puppet of Hitler's, or of any other passing politician, either is deliberately misconstruing the facts or is duped by propaganda.

"Spain for the Spaniards and the Spaniards for Christ!"

That is the new watchword which has captured the national imagination.

SHRINE DINNER CHATS
By Father Coughlin

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'ECONOMY' at the RELIEF OFFICE
By Peter O'Malley

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MAY-DAY IN AMERICA–1939

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Shrine Dinner Chats

By **FATHER COUGHLIN**

LAST THURSDAY New York City was the scene of an enthusiastic meeting. Among the thousands who attended were many friends of social justice. The following letter was addressed to Judge Herbert O'Brien and read by him to the assembled crowd:

"May I congratulate you and the thousands who have gathered with you this evening for the purpose of upholding our God-given principles of Christianity together with our beloved Constitution of the United States?

"A new day has dawned upon all of us. It is a day that demands from each one of us a plenitude of generous sacrifice and courage which will enable us to pioneer our path through the forests of error, to drain the swamps where radicalism breeds and to clear the land so that once more plenty for all will be available.

"Let us learn from the past. Let us appreciate that the lovers of social justice must not entertain hatred for any race; that they must draw their strength from the fountain of charity —a fountain which is none other than the pierced heart of Jesus Christ which bled for all men.

"It is more important now than at any time hitherto to recognize that our struggle is not against flesh and blood so much as it is against powers and principalities and the rulers in high places. In plainer language, it is a struggle of Christ against anti-Christ. It is a struggle of charity against hate. It is a battle of justice against injustice. It is a contest of order against disorder. It is a tournament in which the Prince of Peace rises to do battle against the prince of war.

"Once more, we invite religious Jews and religious Gentiles to join our ranks against irreligious Jews and Gentiles who advocate the cause of the mystical body of Satan.

"Once more, we summon the members of the Mystical Body of Christ to organize their efforts along the policies and according to the judgment of our Invisible Head Who has risen from the dead and His visible representative, Pope Pius XII.

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"Carping critics will call us anti-Semites when we have reason to criticize certain Jews who have abandoned the religion of their forefathers and adopted the heresies of Karl Marx and his predecessors.

"These same opponents will charge us with being lovers of Naziism because we are opponents of Communism.

"Careless of such illogical criticism, we disavow all participation with those who hate Jews because they are Jews and disclaim all affiliation with those others who regard the swastika as the modern symbol of salvation. In fine, we cling to the Cross and to every principle which it represents. "*In hoc signo vinces*"—in this sign thou shalt conquer—not in the sign of the hammer and sickle; not in the sign of the swastika; not in any man-made sign representative of man-made principles is victory found. It is found only in the sign of the Cross; in the Father Who created all men; in the Son Who redeemed all; and in the Holy Ghost Whose province is to renew the face of the earth and to sanctify all nations, all flags and all men.

"At the moment we are mightily disturbed at the prospect of war. It appears that our national leaders have forgotten that they who use the sword will perish by it. It appears that they have likewise forgotten that wars settle nothing and are the breeders of misery and chaos. Therefore, I appeal to everyone in this audience and to their thousands of friends with whom they come in contact to organize against the spirit of war and against those policies which are leading us into war.

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"The entire United States has focused its attention upon the men and women of metropolitan New York. We in the other States regard you as the shock troops who, through circumstances, have been forced to come to grips with the enemy. Your bravery, your enthusiasm and your success will, in a great degree, determine the outcome of events throughout our whole nation.

"My friends, I am happy to have this opportunity to use the voice of Judge O'Brien in addressing you. May I take this occasion to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the unsurpassed support which you have given to social justice?

"In conclusion, may I remind you of the glorious ancestry which is yours. You all spring from loins which grew strong in battling for the Lord. In your veins there runs the blood of heroes. And upon your souls there is stamped the invisible insignia of the Holy Ghost which made you soldiers through the Sacrament of Confirmation.

"Therefore, as soldiers and descendents of heroes, follow the banner of your Cross which is lifted high in the hands of our Leader Who rose triumphantly from the dead! In your hearts sing the alleluias of victory as you go forth to fight the battles of Christ against anti-Christ, God against atheism, patriotism against internationalism and Americanism against both Communism and Naziism!

"Care not for the names you are called. Three months ago Francisco Franco was described to the world by the American press as an opponent of democracy, as a murderer of little children. Today, Pius XII refers to him as the savior of civilization!

"You, too, will be castigated in the press and on the platform. What of it? As long as you remain Christian gentlemen and gentlewomen, knights of the Cross, soldiers of the Holy Ghost and crusaders for Christ; as long as you fight with the sword of justice, a day will come when you will be characterized as the saviors of America.

"God bless every one of you and keep you in His Sacred Heart!"

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Are the good friends of social justice living in other sections as active as those dwelling in metropolitan New York? Probably not, because no other city in America is the center of so much radical agitation as is New York.

However, it is opportune for the residents of Illinois, Ohio, of Pennsylvania and of Michigan particularly to begin emulating the New Yorkers.

As for Detroit, where a prophet is not supposed to be ignored in his own country, approximately 10,000 persons met last Friday night to encourage the continuance of the summer broadcasts and to make contributions towards that end. Nearly 1,000 card tables were occupied and 5,000 of the younger set engaged in dancing in the largest hall in Michigan.

For fifteen or twenty minutes it was my privilege to address this enthusiastic group along the same lines as the thoughts expressed by Judge O'Brien's letter indicate.

Meanwhile, I invite you in this column to write to me this week for your copy of the past thirteen lectures—and also to become a competitor in the contest which is publicized elsewhere in the magazine.

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Dogs Do Not Like War

HELLO, FOLKS:—

Well, well, here it is May already yet, as my Dachshund friends would say. Yes, it's May 1st—May Day, the day the Commies parade and celebrate, so I hear. You can bet your last nickel that yours truly stays close to home today—I don't want to be irritated by anybody connected with any subversive movements, 'n I know that if I got mixed up in their crowd there'd by a fight. I'm a peace loving fella, as you know, 'n I want to keep my sweet disposition. So—the best thing to do, I think, is to 'void trouble 'til it comes up 'n smacks you one and then—Let 'em have it!

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Speaking of the Commies—I guess they're making it pretty tough for our bulk distributors in some parts of these free United States.

I got a letter from the man who sent Pete and me those dog biscuits. He told me that he's a distributor in Brooklyn 'n the way things are going down there, he's afraid he might have to send for Pete 'n me to come down to protect him. But he's not going to give up. Our SOCIAL JUSTICE people don't get scared so easy. We've got the real stuff, 'n we're not going to let the Commies bluff us with all their noise 'n parades 'n meetings 'n speeches. Oh, no! As the Boss says, we've got God on our side, so everything will come out all right in the end.

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I got some other nice letters from some of my "doggie" friends, too. You may not know it, but we dogs are just as int'rested in "foreign entanglements" as you folks are. What 'fects you, 'fects us, too, 'n we're keeping our ears to the ground so's we'll know what's goin' on.

One of these letters was from a friend in England, a swell English setter. His name is Duke. Well, Duke is a smart dog 'n he tells me he's listened to a lot of talk on the radio and he's heard his master and mistress discuss the speeches of their leaders, 'n he's come to the conclusion that no matter what we read in our papers and hear on our radios over here, the honest, hard-working people of England don't want war at all. Duke says that if his country and mine get into a fracas with the other countries it will be on account of the big-wigs talking us into it.

I got other letters from other dogs telling me the same thing, practic'ly. There was one from Pug, a sensible French bulldog; 'n one from Mike, an Irish terrier; 'n one from Huskie, a big German shepherd dog. Yes, 'n one from three of the cutest little Dachshunds you ever saw—Fleckchen, Carola and Ginger—three sisters of German ancestry. They all think the same as Duke. Some internationalists, aren't we?

Well, you can see from this we dogs don't want our masters to get into trouble and have everything upset. We don't think war is needed at all to straighten things out. Gee! It seems to us that if they *really* wanted to, our leaders could figger somethin' out so's every country could have what it needs to get along 'n people could work and have their own homes and pets and be happy and contented.

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Well, you can see that this job of mine has all kinds of angles and sides to it. Just being Circulation Manager isn't enough. We SOCIAL JUSTICE s'porters have to be up on our stuff and on our toes all the time, don't we?

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The subscriptions to SOCIAL JUSTICE are coming in quite well. Keep up the good, steady work. The more people who read our paper the more we can count on to save America from some of our Americans who want war so's they can "preserve the exploitation of our modern capitalistic system." So you can see that it's a patriotic duty to get busy getting subscriptions.

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Have you forgotten 'bout the new Contest? You boys and girls can do your bit to keep our country out of war by 'spressing your sentiments in this Contest. Don't be slackers!

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Don't forget, folks, to write in for the book of discourses the Boss announced over the radio. I know it's a good book, 'cause the Boss stayed up lots of nights working on it. I often felt sorry for him. He'd be working away 'til way past midnight, 'n he'd say to me, "Gee, Pal, I wish I could have a drink of water."

"Well, have one," I'd say.

"Nope, I've got to fast," the Boss would answer, heaving a big sigh, "so you'll have to do the drinking as well as the sleeping for both of us."

'Course, the Boss doesn't mind all this work and worry if only you people get some good out of it. So don't discourage him by not writing for this book. That would make him feel that he was alone in this fight for social justice, 'n he isn't, is he? You're all back of him, I know. So, write for the book today 'n I'll see to it that Gladys gets the girls working on your request right away.

—PAL

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7,000 Attending Detroit Radio Party Shout 'No' on Foreign War Alliance

N. Y. Police Guard Sale of 'Social Justice'

NEW YORK, N. Y.—More than 2,500 copies of SOCIAL JUSTICE were sold within three hours in Times Square on Saturday night, April 15th, and more than twice as many last Saturday.

With the world at the crossroads, the National Weekly SOCIAL JUSTICE is much in evidence at the "crossroads of the world." Times Square, at Broadway and 42nd Street, holds more people to the square inch than any part of America. In this teeming area dealers report the circulation of SOCIAL JUSTICE is mounting like the national debt.

An attempt to stop the paper's sale at the Public Library brought a demonstration by 4,000 persons and blocked Fifth Avenue traffic. Police broke up the riot and protected the distributors.

The only New York newspaper to give publicity to this remarkable sales effort was the *New York Enquirer,* a weekly newspaper, published every Sunday afternoon.

The stories appeared on page one of the *Enquirer* on successive Sundays. On April 10, the *Enquirer* said:

"A free-for-all fight between followers of Father Coughlin and Communists provided excitement for theater homegoers in Times Square late Saturday night. Extra police summoned in radio cars and from traffic posts dispersed the spectators and combatants and arrested two men for disorderly conduct.

"For some time those selling Father Coughlin's magazine have been complaining to police of being annoyed while selling copies of SOCIAL JUSTICE. Patrolmen were assigned to posts in Times Square sector to provide protection from the annoyers.

"Just as theater homegoers were bound for the subways, a number of men drew up in a sedan near the corner of 42nd Street and Seventh Avenue, and attempted to destroy a large bundle of Father Coughlin's magazines. A fight ensued between the vandals and defenders."

The April 17th edition of the *Enquirer* reported:

"More than 100 uniformed and plainclothes police, assisted by a large detail of detectives, patrolled the Times Square area Saturday night because of outbreaks between rival Communistic and Father Coughlin supporters. Copies of SOCIAL JUSTICE and liberal publications were destroyed by adherents who were routed by the officers. One arrest for disorderly conduct was made.

"By direction of Deputy Chief Louis Schilling, in command of the midtown area, details of men toured the section between 42nd and 51st Streets and kept the opposing sides on the move. Attempts to tear up copies of the Father Coughlin publication, SOCIAL JUSTICE, and the *New Masses* were frustrated."

Red Reader Gets His 'Daily Worker' in Federal Prison

NEW YORK, N. Y.—An exhibition of samples of W.P.A. work in the New York Public Library shows a scrap-book of the American Civil Liberties Union (Communist organization) prepared by W.P.A. workers. An explanatory note says that four of these scrap-books are prepared by W.P.A. employes every month.

A page of one of the books exhibited tells an interesting story of how the A.C.L.U. tried to get permission of the Federal authorities to send copies of the Communist *Daily Worker* to Federal prisoners. A letter from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons, addressed to Roger Baldwin, denying the request, is pasted on one page, under date of May 22, 1935.

On the opposite page is pasted a copy of a letter, dated June 6, 1935, to Miss M. Cowl, of 50 East 13th Street, from Baldwin stating that the director of Federal prisons, Sanford Baer, had told him that "Krumbein" (evidently a Federal prisoner) was to be allowed to have his *Daily Worker,* "on condition that he would not solicit subscriptions."

Cheers 'Lift Skylights' as Fr. Coughlin Talks

DETROIT, MICHIGAN—A Detroit audience of more than 7,000 grimly determined Americans shouted a resounding "No" to Father Coughlin's question of whether this country is ready for any commitment to foreign alliances.

We were "taken in" on the last war, he said. With the impulsion of true patriotism, the people of this nation went into the World War to save the world for democracy. Twenty-two years afterwards we read the message of Ambassador Page to President Wilson, which gives the secret reason for which we actually went in. The United States went to war to protect the financial stake in British investments!

Ambassador Page informed President Wilson that if America did not throw the might of its resources against Germany "the gold of the world would fall into German hands; that the European financial system would crash and the money which our international bankers had invested in England and France would be lost."

Now, the same bankers using the same trick, and once more operating behind the British imperial mask of "democracy" would involve us again. And the American people are determined not again to be deceived.

Annual Party For Radio Fund

The temper of the big Detroit audience was easily read. It was a demonstrative but not an emotional gathering of representative Americans. There was a grimly determined undertone that should have been ominously significant to the subversive stooges planted about the big assembly to ascertain the "way the wind was blowing in the Coughlin movement."

The occasion was Detroit's annual party for the benefit of Father Coughlin's broadcasting fund. The two-block area of Convention Hall was filled with card tables or dancers. A zealous committee of veteran social justice crusaders, headed by Alfred Robitaille, had sold more than 10,000 tickets. In spite of an April downpour more than 7,000 of them attended!

Father Coughlin's address was along the lines of the broadcast of the following Sunday. There was the difference that instead of the quiet loudspeaker reception in their homes, the vast assemblage of live, red-blooded Americans let their reaction to the message be known. The Detroit party was not, perhaps, exceptional; rather it might be said to be typical of these Father Coughlin rallies throughout the nation. There is no "organization," but there is a progressively intelligent public opinion based upon their instruction over the national broadcasts. The audience's reaction to the question left no doubt as to the fate of the summer broadcasting. Father Coughlin is in for it. It appears that he will have to work the year round this summer and the public signified that it will pay the bill.

Big Crowd Cheers Bishop Duffy's Words

The crowd's loudest acclaim greeted Father Coughlin's quotation of Bishop Duffy of Buffalo, New York. Bishop Duffy had been widely quoted in the Catholic press to the effect that if this country should go to war on the side of Soviet Russia, he would feel it his duty to advise Catholic youth not to serve!

"That," shouted Father Coughlin, "is not treachery; that is patriotism!"

The applauding roar of the big audience lifted the skylights.

"Americans are opposed to Communism, to Naziism and to all other foreign isms, but if we are to fight let it be against all of them and not somebody's selection of some one of them."

The United States, Father Coughlin pointed out, did not sign the peace Treaty of Versailles. The United States Senate refused to ratify President Wilson's attempt to commit us to its iniquities.

Having repudiated the unjust Treaty of Versailles, the United

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Pulpit Debates at Shrine Resumed by Popular Demand

ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN—So popular have been the pulpit debates at the Shrine of the Little Flower on Wednesday nights during Lent that they are being resumed at the request of the public who fill the big edifice each week.

The question and answer period which follows the debate holds the audiences tensely interested until either the late hour or the rasp of hoarseness in Father Coughlin's voice compels adjournment.

"Semitism or Anti-Semitism" was the subject on Wednesday, April 19th. The Rev. Father Cyril Keating, in the second pulpit, voiced some of the popular prejudices of the day against the Jews while the defensive truth was expounded by Father Coughlin.

The philosophical definition of "anti-Semitism" was made clear. This was clarified as "prejudice against an entire race, because its ancient people had been the depository of the divine revelation on which rests the historic structure of Christian faith."

Honest and deserving tribute was paid to those orthodox religious Jews who still sincerely cling to the sacred *Torah* and to the rich religious tradition of their race. It is among these Jews that there survives the hope that the Zionist movement—or some similar movement—will some day restore a Jewish homeland.

In contrast, were exposed those "reformed" Jews who, because the prophecies of the *Torah* are incompatible with their rejection of Christ, have discarded religious orthodoxy and have substituted for the religion of their fathers a code of ethics based on the tradition of Talmudic writings.

Father Coughlin insisted that in every reference to Jews, therefore, a careful distinction always be made between religious Jews and atheists who operate behind a Jewish front. He renewed his invitation to sincere religious Jews to join with religious non-Jews in combating atheistic Communism which is at the base of all persecution, both Jewish and Christian.

In answer to this invitation, atheistic Jews who control the facilities of the press, radio and cinema—a control which denies these facilities even to the religious minority of Jews—stigmatizes the radio priest as "anti-Semitic." It was shown that these forces, furthermore, are financing non-Jewish speakers who lend their services to the "smear Coughlin" campaign.

Father Coughlin warned that no Christian can be anti-Semitic because Christianity is the spiritual inheritor of the deposit of revelation given to the Jewish prophets, and of which in turn the gospels of the New Testament recite the fulfillment.

Points made by the debaters were clarified and extended in Father Coughlin's answers to questions which members of the congregation handed in. The information was educed that of the world's Jews about 5 per cent qualify as "orthodox religious Jews," while 95 per cent had left the strict faith of their fathers to take up various degrees of "liberalism"—ranging from "democracy" to outright atheistic Communism.

Future debates, it was announced, will be held on Thursday evenings. The subject scheduled for April 27th was "Naziism." A further discussion of the Jewish question has been tentatively programed for Thursday, May 4th.

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Administration Proposes to Give Financial Aid for European War

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Although Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau asked news reporters to give silent treatment to the secret Administration conferences on war preparations, the news nevertheless leaked out.

Mr. Morgenthau expressed the thought that if the public should learn of the conferences it would conclude the Administration definitely feared war and hence was planning for it.

Recent Administration pronouncements and actions indicate Mr. Morgenthau was 100 per cent in his apprehension—and so is the public.

Open Markets Only a Front

On April 12 and 13, Administration leaders and business magnates met to discuss secretly ways of keeping the commodity and security exchanges open in the event of war. Among those who attended the second meeting were Secretaries Wallace and Morgenthau, Marriner Eccles, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, S.E.C. Commissioner Jerome Frank, George Harrison, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and Ganson Purcell, director of the S.E.C.'s Trading and Exchange division.

Purported purpose of the meeting was "to keep the markets open." This was regarded particularly important because of America's new role as world financial center. The conferees explored all possible effects a foreign war might have on American business.

Particularly stressed was the necessity for protecting security and commodity markets against European dumping of securities in a mad wartime rush for food, clothing and other commodities. A memorandum laying down the broad outlines of a plan to counteract this emergency was presented to the conferees by the Administration.

The memo was prepared by the Departments of Commerce, Justice, Agriculture and Treasury at President Roosevelt's request soon after the Munich conference. It is known that the plan is a complete program for America's actions as trader and banker in event of a European war.

Would Provide Control Over Rates

The plan emphasizes the probability that the shock of a war would ruin securities and commodities prices at the very outset, then would skyrocket them to inflationary highs as the war progressed. Thus inflation would affect adversely security values, commodity prices and the general cost of living.

The contemplated program recommends indirect controls first—use of banking powers to brake inflation, Federal Reserve power over rediscount rates, open market operations and S.E.C. authority to regulate the stock exchange.

In the commodities field existing Federal agencies would continue to exercise indirect control over prices. Government purchase of surpluses would help achieve the same end and at the same time build up a domestic war reserve.

Investment Pool For War Profits

The real war measure, however, one that eventually would catapult us into the conflict is the proposal to form an investment pool for the purpose of buying British and French holdings of American securities. The pool would be composed of investment trusts, banks, insurance companies and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Resembling closely a proposal submitted last fall by Jerome Frank, the plan provides that the trust, at the outbreak of European war, purchase these foreign-owned securities at pre-war prices. Obviously the trust —which includes the American taxpayer—would suffer huge losses, because the securities would have depreciated tremendously in value with the declaration of war.

In effect the United States would buy Britain and France out of the hole by giving them cash for their deflated securities, now valued at between $2-billion and $5-billion.

The United States also would stabilize the British pound and the French franc, just as American bankers did prior to America's entrance into the World War.

At present Anglo-French gold and other resources in this country total between $11½- and $14-billion. The Frank plan provides that in the event of European war all Anglo-French gold be placed in a fund in America and be used for the purchase of war materials. As long as the gold remained here in the war fund the United States would stabilize British and French currencies.

Actually the plan is a "come-on" for France and England to resort to war instead of appeasement policies —an inducement held out to the democracies after President Roosevelt's letter to the dictators had put them on the spot.

The United States chooses to make definite commitments to redeem American securities held by Britain and France at a high, artificial price, stabilize the currencies of England and France and sell contraband to them.

In reality the plan would create an agency or brokerage house for the purchase of both bonds and bombs.

Man Who Hits Newsboy Makes Apology in Court

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK—The assault case involving young Joseph Gibbons, who was struck by J. Edward Silver while selling copies of SOCIAL JUSTICE in the New York subway, was settled in 7th District Magistrates Court, Brooklyn, last Saturday before Judge Nicholas Pinto, city magistrate.

The case had been adjourned several times at the request of the defendant's attorney, Assemblyman David Gutman. On Saturday a long discussion took place in Judge Pinto's chambers. The Children's Society, which had been called into the case by Magistrate Jeanette Brill, stated through its representative that it had no interest in the case respecting young Mr. Gibbons.

Mr. Silver explained that he was sincerely sorry for the incident and assured the court that he was not connected with any organized movement to suppress the distribution of SOCIAL JUSTICE.

Said Mr. Silvers in court:

"I just want to say that I am sorry that any misunderstanding occurred in this matter; that if there was any impression that I was anti-Catholic, the whole thing falls down before the fact, I just want to thank God for the Pope and his declarations against anti-Semitism and by the declarations of other high church officials, who have frequently, openly and very decently come out for good will between Jew and Gentile.

"As a Jew I realize that with both our races being persecuted in Germany, that the resistance toward oppression is not only a Jewish matter, but a Catholic matter, and we have to stand shoulder to shoulder in this thing; and that if I had any misunderstanding with the boy, I just like to apologize to him and shake hands and let's be friends, and that, so far as I am concerned, things like this will not happen again."

Attorney Bernard T. D'Arcy, counsel for the complainant, told the court:

"We seem to be convinced here now that this is an isolated case and that Mr. Silver is not a member of any organized effort to prevent the sale of SOCIAL JUSTICE in New York. The magazine will be sold on the streets of New York and it will be sold on the streets of Brooklyn, and we hope that we shall not have any trouble, but we are prepared to meet it if necessary. Our distributors must not be molested."

In dismissing the case Judge Pinto said:

"The court wishes to state that it is very happy to note that here is a very striking and fine illustration of the true manifestation of tolerance of the lawyers who have participated in this matter settled as it has been settled and are entitled to the court's commendation and thanks."

Case Against Salesmen Dropped

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Assault and disorderly conduct charges against Peter P. Lucenti and Edward Power, who were attacked and beaten by a gang of anti-Coughlin hoodlums while selling SOCIAL JUSTICE in Manhattan, were dismissed when a "David Allman," who caused their arrest, failed to appear against them.

The case had been postponed several times and Allman's attorney stated that he wished to withdraw the charges. The defendants refused to let him withdraw, insisting that Allman be held on a counter-complaint.

At the time of the beating, the two SOCIAL JUSTICE distributors were haled into night court before Judge Rothenberg. The court refused to hear six witnesses to the encounter and adjourned the hearing. He also refused to entertain counter-charges against Allman. The court refused to parole the salesmen to the custody of their attorney as is customary in such cases, but to the amazement of the principals, attorneys, court attaches, and spectators, Judge Rothenberg held the accused men under $200 bail for their appearance in court next morning! Despite the lateness of the hour, bail was obtained through the co-operation of the Christian Front and the men were released. They were discharged last Wednesday when their accuser refused to appear against them.

Behind THE NEWS ★ *by "Yours Truly"*

An Open Letter to Secretary Hull

Hon. Cordell Hull
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We happen to know that "the career boys" in the United States State Department rejoiced with a sigh of relief when President Roosevelt's ultimatum was dispatched to the rulers of Italy and Germany. The letter was an attempt to push, goad and cajole the British and French governments into deliberate action against the dictatorships and to cease the Chamberlain-Daladier appeasement policies.

The now world-famous Roosevelt letter is generally interpreted not as a plea for peace; but as an ultimatum of war—a last warning issued to the dictatorships that the democracies of the world will not continue appeasement of the dictators and are now prepared to resist aggression with aggression.

Acting upon the suggestion of former British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, our State Department stigmatized Italy, Japan and Germany as "aggressor" nations; but we noticed that at the same time Britain entered into secret agreements with Italy and Japan and Germany—the now famous Chamberlain - Halifax treaties. *Even an amateur in international diplomacy would have recognized that America had committed an act of war and had been double-crossed by Britain.*

At the time of the Munich Conference following the Czech crisis it was known that Chamberlain, Daladier, Mussolini and Hitler had entered into certain agreements regarding the annexation and acquisition of new territories. Britain and France agreed that the Reich should re-acquire territories taken from Germany in the iniquitous Versailles treaty—providing the Reich did not move for the annexation of former colonial territories now held by Great Britain. The democracies agreed with Italy that Mussolini might annex lands that were promised to Italy in 1914 as the price for the betrayal of the Triple Entente — promises that were never fulfilled. Hence, Chamberlain and Daladier determined upon the so-called appeasement policy in order to disguise the concessions which their democracies had granted to the so-called dictatorships.

But following the Munich Conference the State Department instructed Ambassador Joseph Kennedy to suggest to Chamberlain that there should be an end to appeasement. Chamberlain supposedly agreed to cease conciliation. Thereupon the American State Department embarked upon a program of taunting belligerence. You yourself framed trade policies which were concessions to favored nations and sanctions against the dictatorships — secret trade agreements which were for practical purposes treaties; pacts with certain nations, and economic and political sanctions against other nations. It is dreadfully apparent that the State Department acted beyond its limits in making unconstitutional commitments with foreign nations—unconstitutional because the framing and ratifying of treaties belongs only to the United States Congress.

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U. S. ENTERED WAR TO PROTECT PROFITS!

Ambassador Page Sent Word to Wilson; Told What Bankers Wanted

JUDGING BY THE NUMBER of telephone calls and telegrams, many thousands of persons were surprised to learn that the Peace Treaty of Versailles was never recognized by the United States of America. We Americans are just beginning to see beyond the English fog. When we remember that the World War was supposed to end wars; that it marked the termination of secret diplomacy; that henceforth agreements were to be openly arrived at, we are beginning to appreciate how Europeans deceived us. The war-mongers of 1919 scuttled every promise they made to us—even the promise of self-determination for minority.

It is a pity that the Ambassador Page documents were not given more publicity at an earlier date. And it is a double pity that so many of our good people rushed to conclusions based on the premises of broken promises and lying propaganda.

As a Christian, it is utterly impossible for me to support the philosophy of racial superiority and a totalitarianism advanced by the present German government. As a Christian, it is just as impossible to condone the immortalities of the Peace Treaty of Versailles together with the unjust aggression practiced by Great Britain.

The more I probe into European activities, the happier I am that I am an American. It makes me more resolute to stand by our Constitution and to hold aloof from compromising the principles of government established by our forefathers.

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People's Response Encouraging

It is gratifying to witness the interest which our people are manifesting in the campaign for "no foreign entanglements." It appears that those in America who are endeavoring to stampede us into another European war will not accomplish their objective. On the contrary, steadily they will lose prestige and suffer a defeat similar to the one they experienced when they endeavored to impose the World court program upon us.

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Chamberlain to Reverse Policy

From the present outlook it appears that Mr. Chamberlain will reverse the policy which characterized his activities for the past month or so. He will revert to his program of appeasement hoping to establish a peaceful *"Modus Vivendi"* with Hitler; hoping that eventually the good German people will be able to liquidate their internal difficulties. No one knows better than does Mr. Chamberlain how futile it is to engage in war. Meanwhile, the French government together with those of Roumania, Jugo-Slavia, Poland and Greece will follow suit.

In doing this, much will be gained and great losses will be avoided. Only the internationalists who have no flag and entertain no concern for the common people will be the leaders. Always they have been anxious to hurl nation upon nation, careless of the cost. Always they have succeeded through their control of the press and the gold in causing war. Always—except in this one notable instance. The year 1939 marks their deflation even though in this instance they depended upon the New Deal Government in the United States to further their plans. Providentially they did not gauge the power of you good people, the backbone of the United States.

Wherefore, the Russian government and our own are likewise deflated. Today they stand alone convicted by world opinion for the part which they have played in war-mongering. Russia operated through various organizations which were intent upon stirring up hatred for the Fascist nations—powerful organizations, if you will, which succeeded in coloring news reports and in arousing a one-sided animosity in our hearts toward Franco, Salazar, Mussolini and Hitler.

The New Deal Government was not so adroit. Its spokesmen fulminated openly against them, as in the cases of President Roosevelt, Senator Key Pittman and Secretary Harold Ickes.

On one point we agree with these New Deal spokesmen: we do not like the German government. On another point we disagree; we love the German people—in fact, we love all people to such a degree that we are adamant in opposing our entrance in any war of aggression even though it is advertised as a war of self-defense.

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Nation Awaits Congress Action

Now we are waiting for Congress to pass a complete Neutrality Act which, once and for all, will establish legally the policy of no foreign entanglements. However, we will not be satisfied merely with that victory. In fact we are just beginning to act.

What is the action? In every community let us assemble our forces to agitate for the withdrawal of our recognition of Soviet Russia.

Up to date, we have been on the defensive. It is now high time for us to take the offensive, not only against Naziism but particularly against Communism. A Communist should be granted no more freedom in the United States of America than our forefathers extended to a Benedict Arnold.

Communist activities should no longer be tolerated in our midst.

What are your suggestions for promoting the Christian Front in every state, every city and every village of America?

Our enemies will say that we are opposed to free speech and democratic action in making this suggestion. Let us retort by reminding them that free speech cannot be used to destroy free speech; democratic assembly cannot be used to destroy democracy.

Communists are opposed to Christ and Christianity. Let their opposition be private, if they will; for we do not wish to impose our gospel upon their consciences. But we insist that their opposition must not become public using our institution and abusing our Christian patience to destroy our Constitution and outlaw our Christianity.

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Here Is What Page Cabled!

Here below I am printing in full the document secretly sent by Ambassador Page to the Department of State on March 5, 1917. After having read it, learn this lesson: America went to war some twenty years ago to save the hide of the international bankers, politely referred to as the financial structure of Europe. This must never happen again.

File No. 841.51/40
The Ambassador in Great Britain (Page) to the Secretary of State
(Telegram)

London, March 5, 1917, 1 p. m.
(Received March 6, 3:20 a. m.)

5794. M 5644, February 9, 10 a. m.

The financial inquiries made here reveal an international condition most alarming to the American financial and industrial outlook. England is obliged to finance her allies as well as to meet her own war expenses. She has as yet been able to do these tasks out of her own resources. But in addition to these tasks she cannot continue her present large purchases in the United States without shipments of gold to pay for them and she cannot maintain large shipments of gold for two reasons: first, both England and France must retain most of the gold they have to keep their paper money at par; and second, the submarine has made the shipping of gold too hazardous, even if they had it to ship. The almost immediate danger, therefore, is that Franco-American and Anglo-American exchange will be so disturbed that orders by all the Allied Governments will be reduced to the lowest minimum and there will be almost a cessation of transatlantic trade. This will, of course, cause a panic in the United States. The world will be divided into two hemispheres, one of which has gold and commodities and the other, which needs these commodities, will have no money to pay for them. The financial and commercial result will be almost as bad for one as for the other. This condition may soon come suddenly unless action is quickly taken to prevent it. *France and England must have a large enough credit in the United States to prevent the collapse of world trade and of the whole of European finance.*

If we should go to war with Germany the greatest help we could give the Allies would be such a credit. In that case our Government could, if it would, make a large investment in a Franco-British loan or might guarantee such a loan. All the money would be kept in our own country, trade would be continued and enlarged till the war ends, and after the war, Europe would continue to buy food and would buy from us also an enormous supply of things to re-equip her peace industries. We should thus reap the profit of an uninterrupted, perhaps an enlarging, trade over a number of years and we should hold their securities in payment.

But if we hold most of the money and Europe cannot pay for re-equipment there may be a world-wide panic for an indefinite period.

Unless we go to war with Germany our Government of course cannot make such a direct grant of credit, but is there no way in which our Government might indirectly, immediately, help the establishment in the United States of a large Franco-British credit without a violation of armed neutrality? I am not sufficiently acquainted with our own reserve bank law to form an opinion, but if these banks were able to establish such a credit, they would avert this danger. It is a danger for us more real and imminent, I think, than the public on either side the ocean realizes. If it be not averted before its symptoms become apparent it will then be too late to avert it. I think that the pressure of this approaching crisis has gone beyond the ability of *the Morgan Financial Agency for the British and French Governments.* The need is becoming too great and urgent for any private agency to meet, for every such agency has to encounter jealousies of rivals and of sections.

Perhaps our going to war is the only way in which our present pre-eminent trade position can be maintained and a panic averted. The submarine has added the last item to the danger of a financial world crash. During a period of uncertainty about our being drawn into the war, no more considerable credit can be privately placed in the United States and a collapse may come in the meantime.

Father Coughlin

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Liberty of conscience and education.
Just living annual wage.
Nationalization of important public resources.
Private ownership of all other property.
Control of private property for public good.
Abolition of Federal Reserve Banking System and establishment of a government-owned Central Bank.
Restoration to Congress of its sole right to coin and regulate the value of money.
Cost of living maintained on an even keel.
Cost of production plus a fair profit for the farmer.
Labor's right to organize.
Recall of non-productive bonds.
Abolition of tax-exempt bonds.
Broadened base of taxation on basis of ownership and capacity to pay.
Simplification of government and lower taxes.
Conscription of wealth as well as men in event of war.
Sanctity of human rights preferred to sanctity of property with government's chief concern for the poor.

Our Unknown Constitution

MR. BLAIR MOODY, who writes "Washington intelligence" for the *Detroit News*, made this statement recently in his Sunday column:

". . . and the President, given by the Constitution authority over our foreign policy, sets our course."

The startling part about this statement is not so much the fact that it is 1,000 per cent wrong, as that the writer probably believes it; his editors believe it; and readers accept the misinformation. The sad fact is that the Constitution is not known any more. It is printed in the back of a few school textbooks and histories, but nobody bothers to read it.

Twenty-five years ago the offices of the *Detroit News* on Monday morning would have been flooded by the public's correction on such a misstatement; *50 years ago no American newspaper would have printed it!*

The fact is that under the Constitution, the United States Senate makes foreign policy, concludes treaties and gives orders to the President, who—as an elected public officer in the people's Government—carries them out.

Moreover, only such duties as are specifically assigned by the Constitution are bestowed upon a public official. Those functions not specifically granted are reserved in the sovereignty of the people, not implied in the power of the Executive. The fact that an Administration may not "agree with the Constitution," or is of the personal opinion that the "independence fixation" of the founding fathers belongs to a horse and buggy era, does not of itself render the Constitution obsolescent.

The Constitution, for that matter, makes no provision for the modern "racket" known as political parties. So, in casting about for a remedy against a President overreaching himself in party dictation, the politicians cannot have recourse to the Constitution. That's up to the Democrats!

New Deal Not a Party

IN HIS LETTER to the Young Democrat Clubs of America, President Roosevelt said the Democratic party will "commit suicide by abandonment of the policies that brought it to power."

"If that is true," comments the *Detroit Times*, "the Democratic party has been dead for six years.

"The policies that brought the Democratic party to power were first abandoned by the New Deal administration in the latter part of 1933 and have not been adhered to since.

"Does Mr. Roosevelt think the New Deal policies, conceived after the Democratic party had come into power, had anything to do with bringing it to power?...

"The New Deal policies are not the policies of the Democratic party, and particularly are not the policies upon which the Democratic party based its bid for power.

"The Democratic party made specific promises and pledges and the New Deal broke them.

"The Democratic party was empowered and expected to do one set of things, and the New Deal did another set of entirely different things....

"What President Roosevelt is really trying to do is to read the real Democrats out of their own party."

No Sale!

ALTHOUGH RADIO TIME was available, radio station WTIC (50,000-W), of Hartford, Connecticut, after great consideration refused to sell time for Father Coughlin's national broadcast during the coming summer months. Station WTIC is owned by a Hartford insurance corporation.

Radio stations owned by business corporations or newspapers for promotional purposes are not always "free" to extend the courtesy of free speech. Such radio facilities are not public utilities.

Too often, the first consideration is anxiety for the investors in bonded debt, and the radio station is only an appendage to the mother corporation. The bondholders, rather than the policyholders or the public, get the first consideration.

A radio station owned by an insurance corporation obviously could not permit free speech that might offend the international bankers. Insurance and banking simply "must keep in with" the politicians on top at any given time, whatever breed they may happen to be.

And "they" do not want anything said about the bond racket. Certainly, not over any radio facility which they can control.

It is only a matter of time until legislation will be passed which will prevent insurance corporations, newspapers, manufacturing concerns and other such corporations owning radio stations simply because of the abuses which such corporations inflict upon the policy of the subservient radio station.

Moreover, in the not too distant future the American public is going to demand that something be done about the monopoly now existing in the matter of radio chains. Radio is fast becoming a monopoly—a twin monopoly; a Siamese twin monopoly, if you please—insofar as the backbones both of Columbia and National Broadcasting Systems are joined to the monopoly of the moving picture industry.

The observant American recognizes this unnatural union and sees in it an explanation for the Bennys, the Cantors, the Richmans, the Burns, the Ben Bernies, the Jolsons, the Jessels and the jazzers and the Jezebels who have made themselves obnoxious over the airways.

The day of reckoning is coming sooner than we anticipated.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I know your conduct will be such which will harmonize with the best traditions of Christianity and Americanism. Do not initiate quarrels with those who interfere with you. If some un-American agent endeavors to sabotage your work; even if he tears up your papers, summon a policeman. Do not take the law into your own hands.

The policemen are your friends. They are anxious to assist you.

Do not fall into the trap being laid for you by the lovers of Communism. In your hands we have entrusted the good name of SOCIAL JUSTICE. Be faithful to your trust.

Chas. E. Coughlin.

None So Blind

PRIOR TO 1917 in Russia, nobody took seriously the assertion of the Communists of what they planned to do. But when they seized the government, they practiced what they preached—they sent to their death all who stood in their way.

Then Lenin and Trotzky devised their plan for world revolution—for the blotting out of religion and common decency. Lenin said, "After Russia, Spain!" And in due time, a revolutionary organization was set up in Spain. That organization, up to a certain point, worked out almost precisely as its Russia authors planned.

Communistic propaganda in Spain came close to succeeding. Communistic propaganda in the United States is on a vaster scale. It has infiltrated our schools and colleges, our labor organizations, our churches. This, indeed, was recently the boast of Earl Browder himself before a New York legislative investigating committee.

And still most Americans, like the Russians and Spaniards before them, fail to see the menace of Russian Communism.

This From Hollywood!

IN HIS SYNDICATED COLUMN appearing in hundreds of newspapers on Monday, April 17th, Ed Sullivan of Hollywood, California says:

"All over the country there are tens of thousands of youngsters who will sit down after school this week or next and vote in the annual class elections . . . Perhaps to those of you who are voting, a graduate of the Class of '15-'19 can tell you of some of the things that will happen in the course of 20 years.

"Along the route, some old buzzards will sell you a bill of goods on a war, and when the bands start playing, it's going to be tough for you to stay out of it . . . Now these old buzzards sold some friends of mine a bill of goods back in 1918 and the bands played and the flags waved . . . The only ones who weren't fooled by the noise and hurrahs were the mothers, because they could shut their ears to the bands and hear their sons groaning as bayonets were plunged into their stomachs . . . The old buzzards who promoted the war are still living, most of them, and they'll be living after the next war, because for some reason they never expose their own stomachs to bayonets.

"So when the old buzzards start getting you all hepped up about war, remember that war is dirty business and bloody business . . . It never has solved anything because a bayonet and a hand grenade are cruel and stupid things, and can solve nothing . . . Remember that there is no war to end wars . . . One war only is the cornerstone for another . . . Death is preferable to dishonor, but be sure that the issue is honor.

"In 20 years since we sat in Miss Jenne's English class and marked our class election ballots, I've learned a lot of things . . . The most important thing I've learned is that this is a short span we live, and at its best difficult . . . So the best way to live life is to help other wayfarers . . . be nice to people, be helpful, be considerate . . . consider each person you meet a human being as you are a human being . . . Life is much too short for hatreds and bigotries.

"In 20 years you find these things to be true: That religion is good for you . . . That there are more decent people in the world than stinkers, and that you'll get more help than hindrance . . . That it's stupid to be dishonest, stupid to be a criminal, stupid to be a liar . . . that a crook who steals a dollar could, with less effort, make two honest dollars . . . That personal honor and reputation are your greatest assets and the law of averages operates in favor of decent people . . . That success is the most overrated on all mirages, that self-made men would be less boring if they genuflected to Lady Luck, and that all tombstones read alike."

Coming from Hollywood and appearing upon the theatrical pages of our daily papers, the above article engenders encouragement.

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'ECONOMY' in the RELIEF OFFICE

It's Only a Word That Noisy Politicians Use in Washington but It Is the Bread of Life to 200,000 Workmen on the W. P. A.

Politicians like the sound of the word "economy." It makes good newspaper headlines, and it also makes votes. But any honest attempt by Congress to cut down the expenses of Government for the taxpayer encounters the hurdle of dirty politics.

Economy seekers must not cut the arms appropriation—on the contrary that must be increased. War spending might be "good for business." There was pressure on Congress for rural electrification to be spared; nor must the sacrosanct appropriations for other governmental functions—the Social Security Board, A.A.A., Housing, etc., be cut. That might mean layoffs for people back home, rewarded with appointments for faithfully handing out campaign literature near the voting booths.

So the W.P.A., already a football of politicians, became the target for a $150-million slash. Almost anybody could have trimmed this amount from fantastic New Deal projects without affecting the heads of families on relief. But not one of the New York radicals' pet projects was touched—theater ventures, the $1-million ballet for the World's Fair, projects for so-called "jobless writers." Instead, 200,000 men on W.P.A. jobs, with families depending on their meager pay checks, were made the pawns of politicians' revenge against Congress for daring to point out the wastefulness of expenditures within the W.P.A. Their attempt to blame this on the people's Congress backfired woefully.

Last week SOCIAL JUSTICE said that Mr. Roosevelt was hopeful that some international crisis might take the country's mind off New Deal failure at home. It is intolerable that political office holders—whatever their degree of eminence—can continue to talk about foreign affairs while at home they leave untouched the problems of a ten-year-old depression. Problems that could be started on the road to a solution within 24 hours!

Washington now talks openly of a war crisis averting a revolution at home. Mr. O'Malley's story of "Economy in the Relief Office" shows what they mean.

—THE EDITOR

By **PETER O'MALLEY**

WE IN THE WELFARE OFFICES just tightened our lips a little when we read about that $150-million slash in the Federal relief budget. I'd sort of expected it, but I winced nevertheless when I saw Fred Wills hunched on one of the battered old park benches in the waiting-room. His eyes were sombre and frightened.

Fred showed me the little pink W.P.A. form, its typewritten lines smeared by many incredulous readings. It told Fred that, after today, his services on W. P. A. would no longer be required. The last line explained, as a sort of afterthought, that "Insufficient Funds" was the reason.

I remembered the first time I had seen Fred Wills, in the unpainted frame shack on Locust Street—three years ago. I remembered how he sat at the kitchen table, the picture of despair, answering my questions. I remembered his drab little wife—a pretty thing grown old before her time—and their two youngsters, a boy 4 and a girl 6, their little legs thin as pipestems in much-mended hose.

Fred had never asked for help before. The family had managed, somehow, on his $18 a week as a gas-station attendant, until seven months before. He hadn't minded the layoff at first—there would be other jobs.

But, he discovered presently, there weren't any other jobs. He borrowed from a finance company first. The interest on the little loan was 36 per cent a year, but he *had* to have it. The money lasted two months. He borrowed from friends, from relatives. He cut lawns and washed cars until winter came. He took a bucket, ladder and a chamois from door to door, offering to wash every window in the house for a quarter.

The Story of A Man Who Tried

He didn't make much—50 cents, 75 cents a day. One great day he made a dollar, and they had meat for dinner! But he didn't earn enough to pay the rent, buy food, clothes and medicines. The landlord was tired of accepting a dollar here, 50 cents there. The pitiful remainder went for food. Then, borrowings gone, his wife's wedding ring in pawn, his shoes worn in great gaping holes from trudging a path between employment offices, Fred Wills was at the end of his rope . . .

It was an old story. A story I'd heard hundreds of times.

I looked around. It wasn't an expensive house—the rent was $15 a month. There were places in the wall where fallen plaster revealed the bare lath. The kitchen plumbing leaked, and there was an evil odor from the rotting floor beneath. The bedrooms were scrupulously clean, but I could see there weren't enough blankets to go around. In the pantry were half a loaf of bread, the remains of a quarter-pound of lard used for a spread, and two dried onions. Nothing else.

I felt there was hope for this family. Fred Wills had courage—he'd tried to get by. His hands trembled, and he had a tendency to be a little incoherent, sometimes, in his answers—but the symptoms all pointed to the old cause—Insecurity.

W.P.A. Job Was Real Joy for Fred

I felt that we could do something for Fred. Given security, we could keep alive the waning flicker of courage, and keep the work habit from deteriorating. Whatever happened, he musn't lose his courage or the habit of work, because a man with many worries and little work doesn't stay healthy. His stomach begins to give him trouble—doctors call it nervous indigestion. Presently he has ulcers, and ulcers are expensive to treat, even in the great public clinics, because sometimes surgery is necessary, and that means further months of inactivity and deterioration.

I certified Fred for W.P.A.

He came in, eyes shining, to thank me the morning his first work assignment arrived in the mail. I experienced that rarest thing in social work—satisfaction—and felt that we would not have to worry about Fred and his family again. His $60 a month was not much, but Fred's wife had learned to manage on nearly as little. Besides, there was a shining pride about him that was encouraging. There was work to be done, and he, Fred Wills, was needed. That was two years ago.

Now he sat before me, fear in his eyes, thumbing the pink slip of paper.

"What'll I do, Mr. O'Malley?"

And, when I hesitated, "Isn't there some other job on W.P.A. I could do?"

200,000 Want Work, Not Relief

I told him, as gently as I could, about the 5,000 other men in the county that had received similar quit slips.

About the other 200,000 throughout the country. I told him that we could carry him on straight relief. I didn't mention that our funds were nearly gone, that next month there might be no rent allowances, or that there would be wholesale evictions.

He listened incredulously, then burst out, "But I don't want charity!"

I tried to make it clear that he wasn't receiving charity, but he didn't listen. "I've always worked for what I got. I don't want your damned charity!"

His voice rose, and other clients, waiting to see their workers, began to turn around. The policeman on duty raised a questioning eyebrow.

"Isn't there anybody to give us poor devils a break? Have we got to starve?"

His voice cracked in high-pitched anger, while I tried to calm him. "*You* can sit there and tell me to be calm. *You've* got a job. You know you'll eat regular, you and all the other hypocrites that run this relief business!"

Beside himself, he shook his fist in my face, and then the policeman stepped in.

Fred Wills spent the night in jail—raving against an economic system that had rejected him. I heard this morning that he was being examined at the Psychopathic Ward downtown. Maybe Fred won't be home for a long time.

Anyway, Economy was served!

Manuel Victim Of Labor Market

Then, though I'd nearly forgotten, there was Manuel Torrez. He was easily forgotten, being such a patient, smiling, self-effacing little man. His hands were seamed and horny with work in the sugar-beet fields, his speech halting and slurred with Spanish verbs. But he'd refused to see his family stagnate in the up-state town that was slowly dying since the Sugar Institute put a knife in the beat growing industry's heart. The jobs in the great industrial cities lured him, and for awhile, he found work, at fabulous wages.

Then, suddenly, there were no more jobs. For two years Manuel Torrez found no work that brought more than a few left-over vegetables, a few cents worth of cheap meat, into the home. He had never heard of relief. He was unknown to agencies like the St. Vincent dePaul Society and the Salvation Army. Unprotestingly, he moved on when a constable piled his meager furniture into the street. There were no neighbors to report the family's condition when, later, they found shelter in one of a line of deserted shacks beside the abandoned railroad siding.

But it broke Manuel's heart when the children could go to school no longer; unable to negotiate streets deep with snow in shoes that had no soles. He wanted his children to be assured a place in the marvelous, prosperous world from which he was barred by illiteracy.

Truant Officer Discovers Case

It was the truant officer who brought the family to our attention. We brought coal, an emergency order of groceries for the eight Torrez children, a layette for the recently-born Racquel, dresses and shoes and warm stockings for the older ones.

Manuel had no skill, no trade to sell. Only an industrial system hard-pressed for labor could have hired him. But generations of contact with the soil have given his people a kind of dignity. Hard physical labor in leveling alleys and paving streets could not frighten him; he could work with his hands—and it would mean the right to live, to feel secure. Manuel liked the W.P.A.

For two years, Manuel Torrez was independent; feeding, sheltering, clothing ten persons on $60 a month. You might try that some time.

A week ago he returned, no longer smiling. He handed me another of those tragic pink slips. Though he could not read it, it told him that because he was an "alien" he was no longer eligible for W.P.A. I tried to explain the meaning of "alien," but I wasn't very successful. He could comprehend his separate loyalty to his native Mexico and his love for his new fatherland, but he could not grasp the tremendous importance of naturalization papers.

But Economy was served!

It Does Not Have to Be!

Two hundred thousand men will be sacrified to "Economy" this month. A very creditable showing, because Economy, so the newspapers tell us, will "lay the groundwork for sound business recovery." It didn't in 1931 and 1932, so we tried Pump-Priming. You'll remember how well that succeeded. Now it's Economy again.

Americans are strong for catch-phrases and slogans—juicy, sibillant words that light the imagination and draw a mist over the real cause of poverty—Money.

Money that is no more than an inked-in figure on a bank ledger! Money taxed before it is issued; money stamped with usury, and sealed with the legend of its Federal origin.

Perhaps the lives of the Fred Willses and the Manuel Torrezes are not really important, to the New Deal politicians or to the "interests" who give them their orders.

As long as big business dictates "economy" to the politicians the nation will not have the real economy of an honest money system: money issued by a courageous Congress against the wealth and resources of all the people—money that could give a new surge of life to industry overnight—money that would give the blessing of honest work to the generation under 25 that is now stumbling toward the brink of despair that has already engulfed their elders.

No, "they" do not want that kind of economy. Neither do we, the people—or we would really do something about getting it!

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Fr. Coughlin's Challenge Stands: 'Let Critics Combat Communism'

Charges of Anti-Semitism Unfounded: His Former Article Is Quoted to Refute Slanders

ON PAGE 7 of the September 19, 1938, edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine, Father Coughlin expressed his views on the question of anti-Semitism. For the benefit of those who are uninformed or who have forgotten the article it is being reprinted below.

Father Coughlin's attitude on this question of anti-Semitism today is identical with his attitude of September 19, 1938, despite the fact that his critics have knowingly or unknowingly overlooked this article in preparing their malicious propaganda against him.

On that date Father Coughlin extended the hand of brotherly cooperation to the religious Jews of America. At that time, what other Christian in the United States had offered such unselfish assistance to the Jews: "If and when anti-Semitism shows its ugly head here, I shall be the first, without hope of receiving reward, to condemn it both by voice and deed"? Those were the exact words printed last September.

In not one of Father Coughlin's written or spoken words can any honest critic find a condemnation of the religious Jews of America. But in his writings and in his lectures there can be found a multitude of instances where he flayed the international bankers, the war-mongers, the concentrators of wealth, the controllers of the press and communications, the atheistic Jews and Gentiles.

Why Do Critics Ignore Distinction?

Is it because of these justifiable condemnations that the vocal Jews and vocal Gentiles are now loudly denouncing Father Coughlin as being anti-Semitic?

Are they reluctant to disregard the distinction made by Father Coughlin?

Is Father Coughlin to be labeled an anti-Semite because there is a predominance of Jews in certain of these classifications of citizens all out of proportion to the number of Jews in America?

Father Coughlin has not condemned any person because of his religious belief or race. But he has strenuously denounced Communism and the exploitation characteristic of modern Capitalism.

Because of the influential positions occupied by Jewish leaders Father Coughlin has appealed to them to oppose Communism.

Is their unwillingness to co-operate to be interpreted as a desire to perpetuate exploitation; a desire to witness the growth of atheistic Communism?

Are religious Jews to find the answer in a pogrom or will a sufficient number of them join with Christians against the spread of Communism?

Read the following and decide for yourself whether or not Father Coughlin is anti-Semitic:

Communism and Democracy Foes

"We are insidiously informed that Communism and democracy are fighting hand in hand; that Communism and democracy are practically identical.

"Without any fear of contradiction based on facts, I maintain that Communism is absolutely the opposite of democracy; that Communism, as it exists today, is definitely a dictatorship.

"Let us review the record briefly: In 1917 when the down-trodden Russian people overthrew the government of the Czar, Alexander Kerensky was selected as head of the Russian government as a result of the only, the first and the last democratic vote which the Russian people were privileged to exercise.

"Without either praising or condemning the Kerensky regime, be it said that he and his associates who rose to power following the 1917 revolution were the free choice of the people just as much as Mr. Roosevelt and his New Dealers were the free choice of the people in 1932.

"Kerensky was no Communist. Perhaps history will describe him as a Social Democrat. Perhaps sociologists will refer to him as a Socialist. However, no student will ever label him as a Communist.

Kerensky Regime Only a Stop-Gap

"Six months or so after Kerensky's election to office, a second revolution occurred in Russia. This revolution was engineered not by the Socialist Democrats nor by the Socialists, but by a minority group under the leadership of Lenin, Trotsky and Sverdlov. These three men were neither Czarists, Socialists nor Social Democrats. They were out and out Communists who represented, I repeat, a minority party consisting of not more than 200,000 residents of Russia's population which is estimated at 160-million persons.

"Consequently, these three men did not represent the majority of the citizens. At first they ruled the Russian people through the agency of various commissars who were supposed to have been elected to office. Eventually the Jew, Lenin, died and Joseph Stalin, a gentile, assumed power. He exiled Trotsky; he abolished free elections and became the absolute dictator of the Russian people, giving a lie even to the word "bolshevik" which is translated by "the majority."

"Be it noted that the modern Communists do not celebrate the birthday of the Kerensky revolution. Their feast day, equivalent to our Fourth of July, *is the counter-revolution staged by Lenin and his associates against Kerensky and against democracy.*

Josef Stalin Is World Dictator

"Today, Stalin is so strong that personally and alone he dominates the destiny of the United Soviet Republics. His influence is so dictatorial that he alone rules and regiments the Comintern and the Russian activities in all foreign nations, including the United States of America.

"He alone, through his agents, dictates to Earl Browder and the *Daily Worker* and other Communist publications.

"He alone, through his agents, adheres to the philosophy of world revolution with the destruction of Capitalism, Christianity and democracy.

"It was Stalin's theory that revolutionary incidents could be brought about in America through the direction of the labor movement.

"It was Stalin's theory that the infiltration of Communist ideals in universities, schools and pulpits should be made possible through soviet gold.

U. S. Labor Forced To Aid the Reds

"I know whereof I am speaking. In the U.A.W.A., possibly the largest autonomous labor union in America, I know one officer who is treasurer of 71 locals with an approximate membership of 200,000. Although the majority of these 200,000 are Americans, Christians and, for that matter, Catholics, this officer was forced by the Executive Board to write out checks amounting to $23,000 during the last few weeks *to help the Communists in their various activities in America and to help the Loyalists fight for the Communists in Spain!*

"A similar case in the U.A.W.A. reminds me that from Flint, Michigan, more than $100,000 was expended by the Christian, American working men through their Red leaders to help support subversive activities both here and abroad.

"I maintain that this is undemocratic because in both these instances these expenditures represent neither the will nor the mind of the masses of men who are enrolled in the U.A.W.A. Neither Stalin nor his cohorts believe in democracy, the majority rule.

"Neither Stalin nor his followers believe in the American pattern of life which is reflected in government by law, representation in the legislature and checks and balances to safeguard the activities of the executives.

World Revolution According to Plan

"As you read the Protocols, it is evident that the world revolution planned by the original Communists with all its ramifications in labor and in education, is well on its way.

"At no time and in no instance have I maintained or do I maintain that the Jews or their leaders wrote the Protocols. I do maintain that while Soviet Russia protects the Jews, while at the same time it persecutes Christians, nevertheless the decent Jews of the United States of America will be glad to align themselves with courageous Christians in fighting Communism, both here and abroad, just as strenuously as they fight Naziism in Germany.

"Last week at a gathering of Jewish War Veterans held in Detroit for the purpose of combating subversive influences in the United States, the eminent Rabbi Silver of Cleveland took occasion to castigate me verbally for some unknown reason.

"I am sorry that this eminent Rabbi did not expend his talents and his time in castigating Communism.

Naziism Result Of Communism

"No one recognizes more than I do the ill-feeling towards certain Jews, as well as certain Catholics, which is being aroused in America. Instead of returning the compliment to Rabbi Silver I would extend my right hand of brotherhood to him with the hope that he would accept it in combating Communism which first under Karl Marx preached not only atheism but hatred for all religion. I would remind him that if there is Naziism in Germany, persecuting the Jews as it does, Naziism exists only *as a result of Communism.* To eliminate Naziism, the effect, let us eliminate Communism, the cause.

"Freely I disclaim any hurt received from this eminent gentleman of the Jewish faith, and vigorously do I protest if any Christians or Gentiles either plan or propose reprisals against him or any Jews in this nation for the Communistic tendencies and activities engaged in by some of the Jews of Russia or some of the Jews of America.

"If and when anti-Semitism shows its ugly head here, I shall be the first, without hope of receiving reward, to condemn it both by voice and deed. Nevertheless, the point which I have made in reprinting the Protocols remains the same today as two months ago. It is this: The best disclaimer which the educated Jews of America can make against the Protocols is for them to fight against Communism which was advocated by the Protocols.

"Before printing the sixteenth Protocol, permit me to speak a word also in favor of Rabbi Hyman Judah Schachtel, of New York City. I am positive that this gentleman will join with us in fighting Communism wherever he finds it."

BEHIND THE NEWS

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However, at the time America was invoking economic sanctions against the dictatorships, Britain's master diplomats were winking a tolerant eye at Britain's trade relations with the dictatorships. British financiers scrambled for business in the Sudetenland and made cash and credit loans to the Reich, even before the Munich Conference was concluded. Where the Reich was not able to purchase goods in barter agreements and scrip marks, British bankers graciously loaned money to the Reich for cash purchases. Furthermore, we learned with surprise that steel and munitions magnates in Britain were conducting open business with the Reich. Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., in which Prime Minister Chamberlain is interested and for which his son is the modern Sir Basil Zaharoff, owns a large interest in the German munitions firm, Dynamit Actien Gesseleschaft and in the giant motor and aviation firm, I. G. Farbenindustrie A. G.

Just before the last Czech crisis, the annexation of Czechia and puppetization of Slovakia, operators of the State Department learned that the powerful Federation of British Industries, in which several members of the British Cabinet are represented, had worked out a secret trade agreement with the Reich which scrapped the United States trade agreements with the Reich and violated the Anglo-American trade treaty so laboriously worked out by your Department.

Money which British bankers and traders loaned to Nationalist Spain for carrying on the war was turned over to the Reich munition factories for the purchase of munitions, aviation equipment and contraband. Britain's bankers loaned the money to Nationalist Spain knowing that it would be transferred to the Reich as a sort of subsidy for the Nazis.

While all these secret machinations were going on between Britain and the so-called dictatorships our State Department added one act of belligerence to another.

Our State Department knows that Britain, France, Germany and Italy did not want war and cannot carry on war; yet you and your inferiors through overt acts have goaded these nations to launch a war in which America will be involved and will be inevitably doublecrossed!

We American citizens believe that it is high time that our legally elected representatives in Congress should be permitted to perform their constitutional duty in framing and ratifying treaties and that administration-appointed executives cease their efforts to embroil America in a foreign war.

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Reds Mass for 1939 May-Day Parades

Strategists Plan to Work Through Respectable Groups; 'Democracy' to Be Slogan

MAY FIRST is the day that Communism parades.

There was a time when May 1 meant no more to the people of the United States than "moving day"—or perhaps it was the day when the good lady of the house got out the dust-mop and decided that spring housecleaning had been put off just long enough. But that was before the time of the Central Park soap-box, the local relief station, and the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

From a tiny gathering of erratic malcontents, the May Day celebration, like the Communist party which fosters it, has sprouted into an American "Frankenstein," so indeterminate and unwieldy that already the party strategists have advised the units not to mobilize or demonstrate in their own name, except "in those places where the trade union movement is very weak." Wherever possible, the plan is to let the labor unions be blamed for the disorders.

Familiar Names In New York's Line

In New York City, 500 mass and trade organizations have pledged a participation of more than 600,000 persons in the Communist May Day parade.

Included in the 300 mass organizations which will march in the Communists' New York parade are the American League for Peace and Democracy, American Student Union, Friends of the Lincoln Brigade, International Workers Order, Workers' Alliance, Jewish Lathers Relief Society, German-American Clubs, Inc., and the Young Communist League.

In conjunction with the May Day celebration, 10,000 friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade plan to go into the streets and collect "for loyalist Spain."

Philadelphia Reds Plan Big Parade

In Philadelphia, the May Day committee informs that city that its C.I.O., A.F.L., fraternal, negro, youth and unemployed organizations will mass and march on Monday.

Boston Communist groups have been mobilizing since Easter for "the biggest demonstration in Boston's history."

Eleven other New England cities have been served with a notice that they can expect similar gatherings of pro-Loyalist and pro-Soviet groups to clutter up their thoroughfares for May Day: Lowell, Peabody, Lynn, Brockton, Norwood, Haverhill, Worcester and Springfield, in Massachusetts; and Pawtucket, Woonsocket, and Providence, Rhode Island.

"Democracy" and "security" will be exploited as slogans of the Communist struggle against the "reactionaries." All sizes of placards and signs will urge embargoes, boycotts and sanctions against Italy, Japan and Germany. Strange banners will fly and greasy-tongued agitators will name a few aggressors. Neutrality will be attacked, and isolation scored as these masters of hypocrisy again don their "democratic front" and plead for the solidarity of "internationalism."

The United States will once again be told that its only salvation is closer co-operation with the Soviet, and how heroic was its part in the struggle of the "Spanish people," who, incidentally, are now stranded in France waiting for the money to bring them back "home" to America.

Propaganda by written and spoken word will be profusely disseminated. The Reds have made this their day—now they will make the most of it.

$8-Million Is Display Cost

NEW YORK, N. Y. — With the opening of the New York World Fair, there has been revealed the most expensive single propaganda enterprise ever to be displayed in this country by a foreign nation seeking to influence us. More than $8-million have been spent on the construction and plans of the Soviet exhibit in the New York fair.

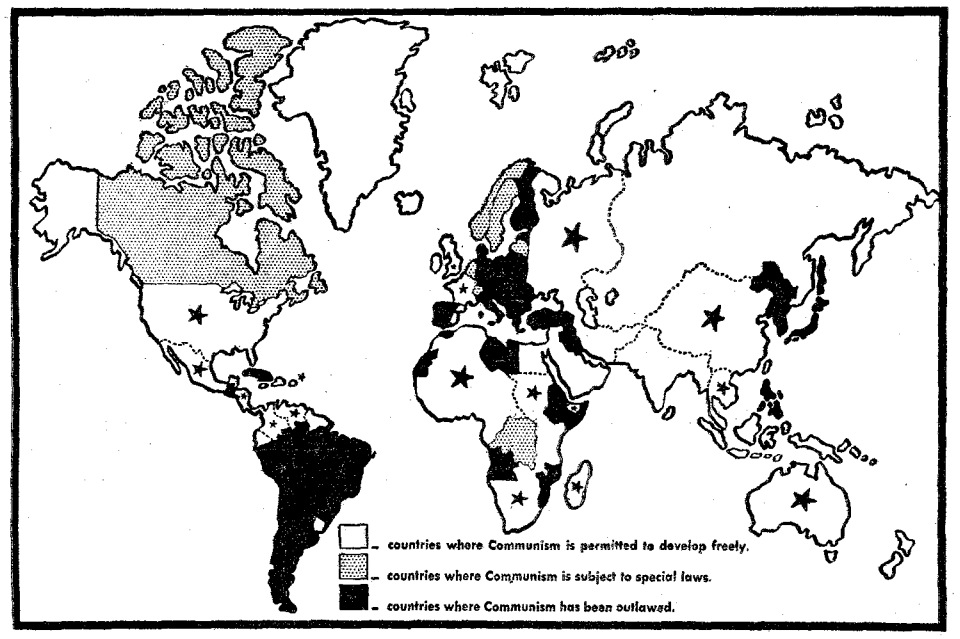
Covering more than two acres, it has 53,500 feet of exhibition floor space and claims to house the largest cooling and air conditioning plant ever built.

Its 59-foot all-steel statue of a "worker" holds a Soviet star 259 feet above the ground. Although Communism purports to frown upon the splendor and riches of the former czars, it is not loath to out-czar the old Russia in its use of the precious jewels it confiscated. A map of the Soviet 20x22 feet, made completely of jewels woven together in precious metal, and weighing six tons, is but one of the extravagances in the exhibit paid from the pockets of the proletariat.

Fair visitors will be treated to performances by the Leningrad ballet, a 100-piece orchestra, and more than 500 costumed entertainers, in the pavilion's special theater, to say nothing of the uniformed "Red Army" which is to be imported in costume to provide the real Soviet atmosphere for impressionable Americans.

One might wonder how great a stake the Soviet really holds in the United States, that it should spend $5-million more on an exhibit at the Fair than any other foreign nation of the world.

World Status of Reds


countries where Communism is permitted to develop freely.
countries where Communism is subject to special laws.
countries where Communism has been outlawed.

A MAP WHICH PROBABLY will not be on exhibit at the world's fair, but which nevertheless, should prove enlightening to Americans, is the one prepared from information supplied to the Comintern by its consular agents in the various countries. It shows at a glance the status of Communism and the degrees of freedom it enjoys in the various countries of the world.

Five of the world's richest nations have allowed the propagandists of Communism to exercise their mobilization activities unmolested.

Leading the world in party members, of course, is the Soviet, which had a total of 2,044,412 members in 1936. The purges have somewhat reduced that figure.

Second only to Russia is China, which in 1934 had a party membership of 476,000, and which today, has more than one-sixth of its territory under Communist control. It is small wonder that the Soviet protests Japanese interference in China. She already regards China as one of her own possessions.

France with a 1938 party population of 411,135, was well on the way to its revolt when Daladier became premier and thus postponed the catastrophe, even though he might not be able permanently to avert it.

The United States ranks fourth with a Communist party membership of 95,000 last year, and England fifth, with a membership of 15,750.

Australia, Honduras, Columbia, Porto Rico, Venezuela and Mexico, which admitted of only 1,200 party members in 1934 but which today is as Communistic as the Soviet, have likewise allowed Communism free development within their boundaries.

Eight of the world's countries have found Communism sufficiently menacing to pass special laws restricting its activities. Belgium, which passed its special law in 1938, has 16,000 Communist party members; the Netherlands, Norway (2,985 members) in 1930; Sweden (2,000 members) in 1938; Latvia, Luxembourg, Switzerlaand, and Canada (16,471 members) in 1936, have all passed restrictive laws concerning Communism.

Thirty nations of the world have already discovered that Communism is the foe of all organized government, and have banned the Communist party's existence within their territory. Hungary banned Communism in 1919; Finland, in 1923; Bulgaria, Korea and Cuba in 1925; Italy in 1926; Brazil, Chile and Lithuania in 1927; Jugo-Slavia in 1929; Portugal, Greece and Estonia in 1930. In 1932, Germany and Salvador banned the Red menace. Nationalist Spain, outlawed Communism in 1936, Albania in 1937, and Irak, Poland and Czecho-Slovakia in 1938. Five of Switzerland's 22 cantons (or states) have also forbidden Communism, along with Japan, Roumania, Turkey, Peru, Paraguay, Bolivia, Manchukuo, the Philippines and the Argentine.

Party Spends $10-Million a Year In U. S.

APPROXIMATELY $10-million a year is spent by the Communist party of the United States for propaganda, according to Walter S. Steele, a witness who represented 114 patriotic organizations before the Dies committee last summer.

An itemized statement of some of the expenditures listed by Mr. Steele include:

Money donated to the Spanish Red Front and other purposes (from State Department Report of May, 1938)	$1,188,526.48
International Workers Order, expenditures for one year, national office only. (Does not include state and local branch reports)	935,327.56
Juvenile Branch I.W.O.—receipts for national office only	25,362.51
Communist Party Central Committee (national office only). Does not include expenses of 35 districts, hundreds of sectional and local offices, official organs, special campaigns, special mass meetings, pamphlets and propaganda activities, camps, schools, movies, sports, etc.	479,862.27
Communist party, annual expenditures of 35 districts, estimated by report of expenditures of certain districts of ordinary size and activity	1,075,000.00
American Fund for Public Service. Donations and loans for un-American activities	655,516.19
American Civil Liberties Union (national office New York City) does not include any of its 96 state and other committees	49,860.20
Estimated expense of its 96 state and other committees at low figure of $1,000 per committee a year	96,000.00
International Labor Defense (national, not including states and locals). Expenditures—one year report.	250,000.00
International Labor Defense Dist. No. 14 (Attorney and bail money raised for two local cases, according to Communist organ)	34,000.00
Prisoners Christmas Relief fund (*Daily Worker*, November 22, 1937)	25,000.00
Labor Defender Magazine (I.L.D.). From its report for one year's expense	22,961.36
Scottsboro Defense Committee. From its report for one year's expense	64,351.75
American League Against War and Fascism (now American League for Peace and Democracy) national offices only (not including its state and local branches or its 1,432 affiliated movements)	26,311.00
Fight and other magazines, estimated cost of (organs of American League for Peace and Democracy)	55,000.00
American League for Peace and Democracy (for Spanish aid). State department report of June 30, 1938	4,380.45
National Negro Congress (does not include state and local branches or 1,149 affiliated organizations. No estimate on these)	5,640.79
Farmers National Committee of Action (national office, not including state, local and 59 affiliated movements, or its national organ)	4,302.37
Southern Negro Youth Congress (national office, not including state, local and 355 affiliated movements)	817.06
Friends of Abraham Lincoln Brigade (Veterans in U.S.A. of red front in Spain). For use in U.S.A. Report of April 20, 1937, to February 28, 1938	115,701.42
Young Pioneers (estimated cost of national and local office activities)	12,000.00
New Pioneer Magazine (deficit $1,800 and estimate by one organ of $3,000 more cost) and pamphlets	4,800.00

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Aggression of Communism Worse Than Dictators: Killed 20-Millions

Only Terror Holds Minority Peoples Subject to Soviet

MOSCOW, U.S.S.R.—The world hears a great deal about the "aggression" of so-called Fascist nations, while a mysterious silence prevails regarding the ruthless aggression of Communism.

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is made up as follows:

NAME	Millions of Population
1. Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic	105,600,000
2. Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	31,900,000
3. White Russian Soviet Socialist Republic	5,400,000
4. Azerbaijan Soviet Socialist Republic	2,900,000
5. Georgian Soviet Socialist Republic	3,100,000
6. Armenian Soviet Socialist Republic	1,100,000
7. Turkmen Soviet Socialist Republic	1,200,000
8. Uzbek Soviet Socialist Republic	5,300,000
9. Tadzurk Soviet Socialist Republic	1,300,000
10. Karzakh Soviet Socialist Republic	6,800,000
11. Kirghiz Soviet Socialist Republic	1,300,000
Total Population (1936)	165,900,000

Following the revolution of 1917, all these minority peoples had begun to clamor for independence. White Russia, the Ukraine, the people of Caucasia and Central Asia, all sought to erect national States with foreign assistance.

In Trans-Caucasia, three independent republics actually were set up—namely, Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan. But the Bolsheviks in their hour of might forgot all their promises and suppressed the new republics, to the accompaniment of horrible massacres.

According to the United States Senate investigations regarding Communist activities (the *Overman Report of 1919*) more than 20-million human beings — mostly Christians — were slaughtered by the Reds up to that time by the Bolshevist "aggression." The peoples were forced to accept a dictatorial Soviet government against their will.

Only for the slaughter of innocent millions, the collection of peoples within the U.S.S.R., could never have been kept together. In fact, no ammunition is issued to these peoples for fear of an uprising and what military training they have is done with wooden guns and blank cartridges!

The solution for a stable and coherent Soviet government lies in the eventual separation of the ten constituent republics so as to form independent States of Ukraine, Turkestan, and Trans-Caucasia. If the Soviet Commissars continue to dominate these minorities against their will, it is only a matter of time that dismemberment will be forced upon them. The Ukrainians on the west already are negotiating with their brothers in Poland and Ruthenia to set up an independent state. Germany is openly backing their cause. The peoples will rebel as soon as Russia is involved in a foreign war.

This ruthless aggression of the Soviet Commissars, who direct world Communism, and who tortured to death more than 20-million Christians, keep the survivors in bondage worse than slavery. Thus, Bolshevism is an aggressor of the bloodiest type. And the silence of the Communist press can no longer conceal the fact from the general knowledge of the rest of the world.

—Cartoonist Elderman in the Washington Post

Brazil's President Gives Notice of 'Hands-Off' Policy

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL—President Getulio Vargas, a mild-mannered man who can be determined when occasion demands, rules over Brazil with the aid of a constitution predicated on the Corporate State.

Some have charged that Vargas is a "Fascist" because he opposes Communism, but the truth is that he has no use for either ideology.

In a recent interview with John T. Whitaker, the Brazilian president said:

"The weaker countries of the world have been left to the mercy of the imperialistic powers. Brazil is a country of vast area, great resources and scanty population. We must bury internal differences, speed the development of the country, and be able to defend ourselves.

"My government has taken measures to keep out all subversive influences, to curb unfriendly foreign organizations within Brazil. America is not the climate for any European ideology either of the right or of the left. We simply will not have them. At the same time, we are bringing the armed forces of the country up to a more effective level."

President Vargas not only speaks what is right, but even more important, he acts that way. He has improved Brazil's roads, erected thousands of model workers' homes, built by the government—without interest charges—with fifteen years to repay at a rent which is about 25 per cent less than former rents. He has directed the reclamation of thousands of acres of marsh land. Immigration is restricted on the basis of quality. Some of the social benefits specified in the constitution are the vote for women, a work week limited to six days at eight hours, provisions for social insurance, compulsory holidays and holydays with pay, and indemnity for unjust dismissal, plus practical plans for public relief.

Finally, President Vargas has forged a unified Brazil. The two principal resources are coffee from Sao Paulo and the mineral wealth of Minas Geraes. The other provinces of Bahia and Pernambuco in the north were the "neglected third—ill-housed, ill-clothed and ill-fed." Production has been stabilized and the foreign exploiters who so victimized the country before 1930 when Vargas took over have been barred.

Canada Resists Red Propaganda

OTTAWA, CANADA — Canada continues her staunch fight against the evils of Communism. The latest laudable effort is a move to bar literature of the Communists from the mails.

Wilfrid Lacroix, Quebec Liberal member, sponsored the bill and was supported by Dr. R. J. Manion, veteran Catholic leader of the Conservative Party. His speech on this vital subject is worthy of quotation:

"I favor free speech and have always done so. I do not believe in the muzzling of the people in so far as it is possible to avoid muzzling them. At the same time, I cannot help remembering that the doctrine of the Communists is revolutionary socialism... The Communists believe in bringing about socialism by bullets ... when they tell the truth, which they frequently do not, they admit that they believe in revolutionary socialism. They believe in forcing Communism upon the people of Canada and the rest of the world. That is the purpose of the Third International.

"It has been said, and I think amply proven, that the Third International has been supplying money to Communists in almost every part of the world. One of the doctrines of the Communist Party was and is world revolution. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I cannot work up any maudlin sympathy over the freedom of speech or a group of people who want to upset, by revolution, the parliamentary institutions of our country."

English Communists Work for Alliance With Soviet Russia

LONDON, ENGLAND—The Niagara roar of war propaganda continues unabated. One of the predominant notes is the hope that England will tie up with Russia. When Great Britain recognized Soviet Russia 16 years ago, it was on the pretext of obtaining trade advantages. But a careful survey of the commercial advantages has exposed their fallacy. Russia only has benefited, as England's trade has simply supplied the Bolsheviks with funds to finance their plans for world revolution.

According to a Moscow broadcast on March 25, Comrade Zhadanov said: "The fight to spread Communism must continue. The highest prospective fields for our activity are France, the British Empire and the United States, the three leading democracies. Chamberlain must be made to resign and Anthony Eden must return. Communist agents report that Baldwin (the new Earl who engineered the abdication of former King Edward VIII) is organizing the opposition to Chamberlain."

It was Anthony Eden who negotiated the political recognition between England and the Moscow tyrants.

Business Dictator Named for Japan

TOKIO, JAPAN—An important internal development recently took place in Japan with the appointment of Kazuo Aoki to head the all-powerful State Planning Board. This board is slowly, but surely, nationalizing Japanese big business. No fewer than fifteen major industries have been turned over to state control. This practically makes Aoki the dictator of big business.

Aoki was deeply impressed by the thoroughness of the German military machine and was partly responsible for its introduction and adoption by the Japanese war lords. Kazuo Aoki was educated in Germany, and was successively Minister of Finance and head of the Foreign Exchange Office.

The similarity of the objectives and methods of socialized industrial and commercial planning—nationalization of resources—adopted by country after country, whether Communistic, Nazi, Fascistic or Oriental, is strongly indicative of a directing group of master minds, operating through international finance.

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TO WIN TWO PRIZES!

Only 13 days remain before your opportunity to win two cash prizes in our great Anti-War Essay Contest will expire forever.

Midnight of Saturday, May 13, is the last hour at which you can mail your essay and subscriptions and be in time to win the Special Promptness Prize of $50.00 as well as the Grand Prize for your Contest division, from $500.00 to $1,500.00 in cash.

Remember, your letter containing your essay, subscriptions and remittance of $6.00 must be postmarked at or before that hour or you will be too late to win the Promptness Prize. Of course, you will qualify for the Grand Prize or any one of the principal awards, but why not also get into the competition in time to win the Promptness Prize as well?

Still Time To Win

Thirteen more days! But that's plenty of time for you to enter the Contest, to obtain the necessary subscriptions, to write your essay, and to make your return in time to come under the wire for this Special Promptness Prize of $50.00.

Keep in mind that, regardless of what classification you are in, if your essay is adjudged worthy of a Grand Prize, a Second Prize or a Third Prize, and you entered before Midnight of Saturday, May 13, you will receive your principal prize PLUS $50.00 for speed in entering.

The Anti-War Essay Contest is perhaps the easiest competition ever conducted by SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. In order to win, no special education is required. Anybody can come out on top, especially since every contestant, whether a school pupil or an adult, is competing against others of the same status. Just a brief essay, clearly written, on what you think along lines of the subject allotted to your particular classification—and fortune can be yours within only a few weeks.

Also Aid Father Coughlin

By participating as a contestant you also have the thrill of knowing you are aiding in the great task of keeping our country out of foreign war. You are performing this civic duty by helping to keep Father Coughlin on the air to broadcast during the important months of this summer.

Never before have the weekly speeches of Father Coughlin been as necessary in our national life as this summer. America is hanging in the balance between peace and a devastating war on foreign soil. The internationalists are seeking with all their financial might to embroil our nation. Every American citizen owes the duty of doing his or her best to checkmate them. By taking part in this great Contest, you are doing your part.

Parents should see to it that their children enter the Contest at once. By encouraging the youngsters to take part, a parent is aiding them along the way to greater knowledge of the affairs of their country. The future of the United States will be in the hands of the young of today. It is, therefore, the duty of parents to steer their children along the course of genuine Americanism as against the machinations of the Moscow Reds.

$16,000.00 To Go To 135

Think! Cash prizes totaling $16,000.00 will be distributed—within only a few weeks—to 135 readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine whose essays are adjudged the best. You simply cannot afford to remain out of this great test. You cannot take the chance of regretting you did not enter when you see on these pages the winning essays and you feel you could have written a better one than any of them.

The only way to obviate such a regret is to enter today—while there is yet time to win not only one cash award, but two.

On the fourth page of this Contest Section you will find two Official Entry Forms. One of them is for you. The other is an extra coupon for another member of your family or for a friend. See that both of them are used TODAY.

If you act at once there is no reason why you should not, within a few weeks, receive a handsome check of from $500.00 to $1,500.00, according to what classification you are in, PLUS an extra $50.00 for promptness in entering.

Remember the last hour for the Promptness Prize—Midnight of Saturday, May 13.

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Ewing Galloway

AMERICANS must never forget that all war promotion in this country is from the Left Wing—the United States Bolsheviki. Not a single Right-Winger who believes in genuine Americanism will be found among the tom-tom beaters. Not one Right Congressman, industrialist, educator or labor leader. Wavers of the "bloody shirt" are all Red.

Millions of citizens do not know this fact because they are deluded by the cry of "Save Democracy." They are not aware that the Stalinites are trying to put Communism over on this nation under the sweet palliative of democracy. Most of our people do not know that the United States is not a democracy; Britain is not one; France is not one. There is no pure democracy in the world. Communists, preying as usual on the misinformation of the people, use the word as bait.

Why do the American Bolsheviki want war? Because Bolshevism or Communism, one and the same thing, can thrive only on destruction, and war is the king of destroyers.

For the last seven years the Reds have tried every means to destroy the United States. They have resorted to regimentation, forced unemployment, bonded debt, sabotage of crops, loans and foreclosures and coddling of Communist labor leaders. Their success has brought the nation to the very lip of doom.

A war this year would turn the trick, and make of the country a vast cemetery for the exploitation of international ghouls. Whether victor or vanquished the nation would emerge from a world war into a condition of social, moral and economic bankruptcy. A Red dictatorship would follow immediately if, indeed, it would not have been in power from the very outbreak of war.

Americans must never forget that the internationalists who are seeking to tempt America into foreign war DO NOT CARE WHETHER AMERICA WINS OR LOSES. An internationalist has no more loyalty to any one country than a body louse to any particular organism it is infesting. This gentry cares not which side wins so long as several participating nations are laid bare for plunder. Thus it was after the World War, and thus it will be after the next blood bath. Over the corpses of millions will tramp the small, compact group of slavering schemers who brought about the carnage. To them will belong the spoils.

If you value American life and American liberty, you owe your country today the greatest debt you will ever be called upon to pay. You owe your unstinted support to our Right-Wing Congressmen, especially Senators, who will within a few weeks have the last say on this nation's attitude towards foreign war. More than this, if your Senator is a Left-Winger, under the spell of the Bolsheviki, you owe your country the obligation of BUILDING A FIRE OF TRUE AMERICANISM UNDER HIM!

Write to him. Let him know that, as an American citizen, you want no part in foreign war. Tell him to keep the nose of the United States out of the quarrels of European war lords. Tell him to vote only for a neutrality bill with such teeth as will frighten the Red pants off the internationalists. Tell him to get busy in the proper American direction or not to come home.

Get that Senator TOLD—right now.

A Communist agitator in a typical New York Communist parade.

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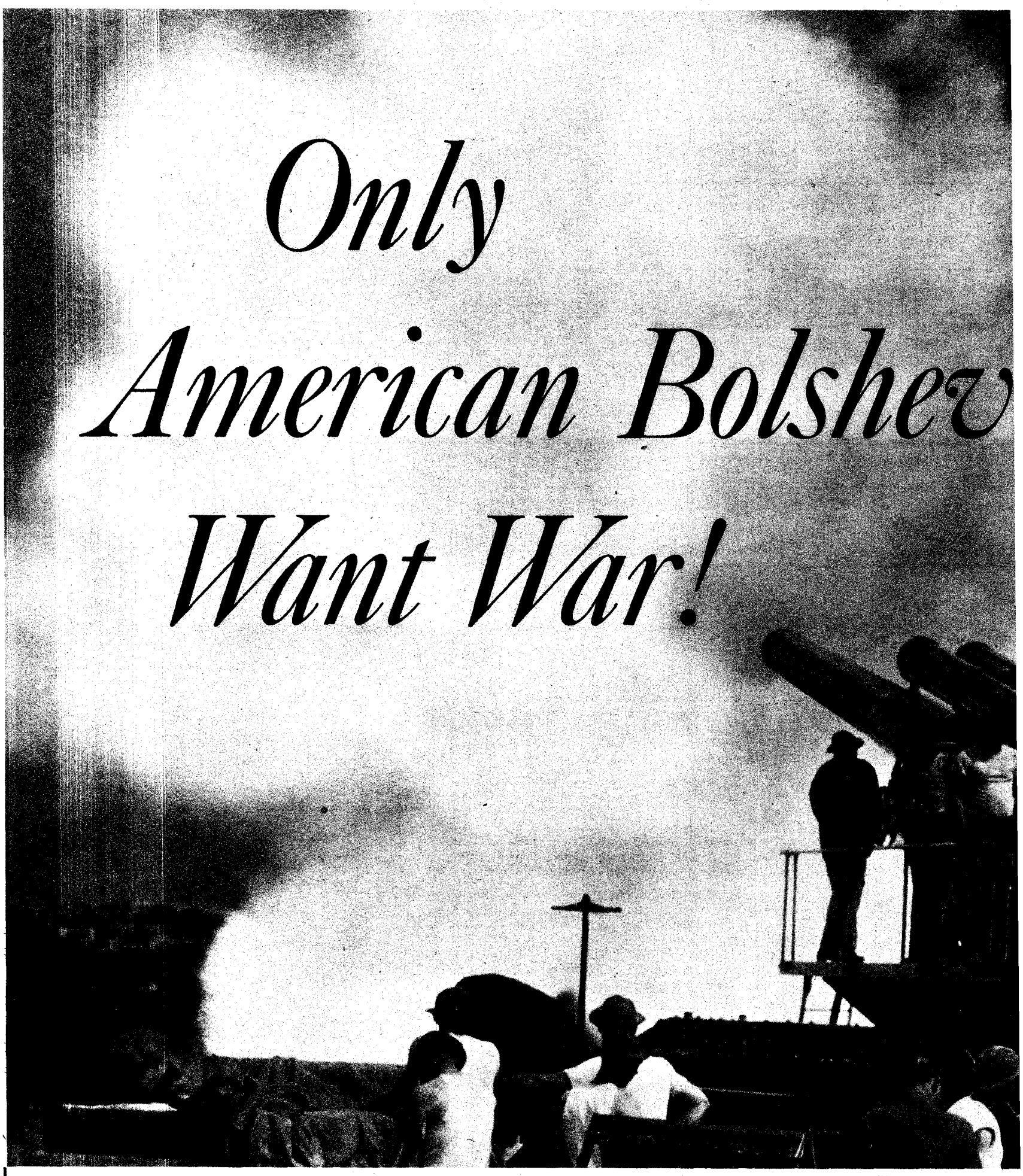
Only American Bolshevi Want War!



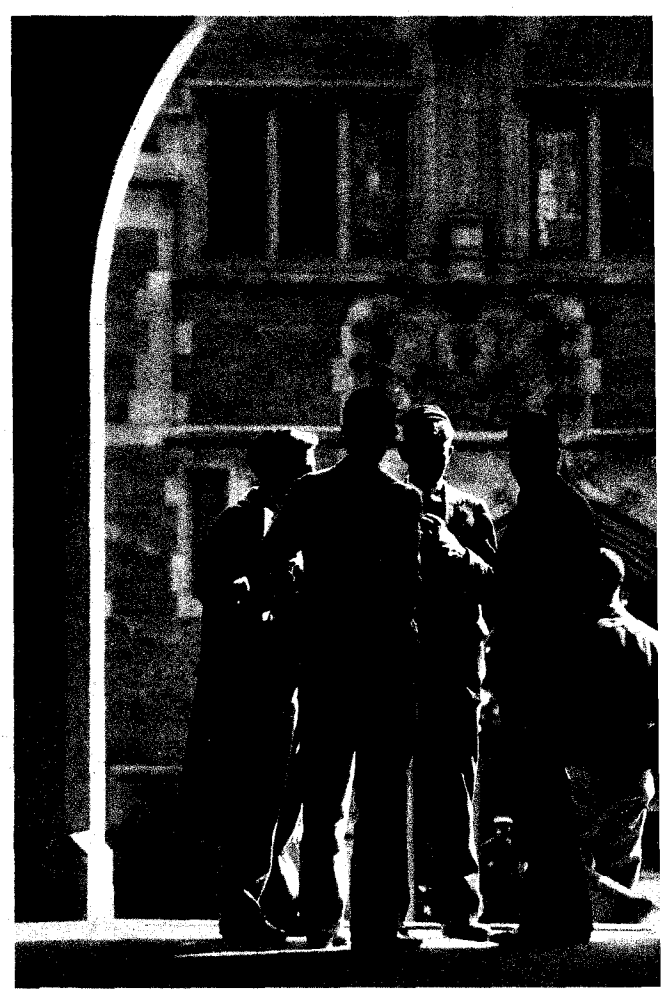
The Anti-War Essay Contest is your way to help keep Americ

Thousands of young men will be graduated from the universities of America this spring. With high hopes for the future, they pour out upon the world. Prepared to take their part in the life of the nation, they seek to enter business or the professions and also to build and maintain somewhere, the four walls of a home.

Shall the lives of these young men be diverted to the blood-soaked trenches of Europe where thousands of them must remain to rot in alien ground? Shall they be sacrificed to the greed of internationalists who care nothing for the lives of any nation's youth, except to exploit them?

Shall thousands of young women graduates this spring be forced into the life of lonely spinsterhood because of the vast void war will dig into the youth of the United States?

Ask your Senator. The great Anti-War Essay Contest of SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine will help Father Coughlin to save America's youth for America.



A company of Red Raiders. Russian infantrymen are taken to their fighting locations by airplane.

A freshmen huddle at Princeton. You can be there or at the college of your choice. Why not enter the contest now and compete for a free college education?

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OFFICIAL TABLE of the CONTEST

	"All-American" Division for Adults	12th Grade	11th Grade	10th Grade	9th Grade	8th Grade	7th Grade	6th Grade	5th Grade
GRAND PRIZE	$1,500	$1,000	$800	$700	$600	$500	$500	$500	$500
2nd PRIZE	750	500	400	350	300	250	250	250	250
3rd PRIZE	500	300	250	210	200	150	150	150	150
4th PRIZE	Four prizes $100 each	Four prizes $80 each	Four prizes $60 each	Four prizes $50 each	Four prizes $40 each	Four prizes $30 each	Four prizes $30 each	Four prizes $25 each	Four prizes $25 each
5th PRIZE	Four prizes $80 each	Four prizes $70 each	Four prizes $40 each	Four prizes $30 each	Four prizes $25 each	Four prizes $25 each	Four prizes $25 each	Four prizes $20 each	Four prizes $20 each
6th PRIZE	Four prizes $70 each	Four prizes $50 each	Four prizes $30 each	Four prizes $25 each	Four prizes $20 each	Four prizes $10 each	Four prizes $10 each	Four prizes $10 each	Four prizes $10 each
Length of Essay	1,200 words or less	900 words or less	700 words or less	700 words or less	700 words or less	500 words or less	400 words or less	300 words or less	300 words or less
TOPIC	*"How to Keep America Out of War"*	*"Foreign Entanglements Lead to War"*	*"The Cost of War"*	*"Offensive Wars Settle Nothing"*	*"Offensive War Will Hurt America"*	*"I Don't Want War"*	*"Mothers Don't Want War"*	*"Daddies Shouldn't Have to go to War"*	*"Daddies Shouldn't Have to go to War"*

EXTRA PRIZE FOR PROMPTNESS

The Anti-War Contest is perhaps your greatest opportunity to combine educational qualifications with the chance to strike for real fortune in cash. The Contest opens today and will close at Midnight of Saturday, June 10. Within a few weeks thereafter $16,000.00 in cash awards will go to 135 winners.

BUT—

If you are prompt you can win MORE than the prizes shown for your classification in the Official Table of the Contest.

THERE IS AN EXTRA PRIZE OF $50.00 WHICH WILL BE AWARDED TO ALL WINNERS OF GRAND PRIZES, SECOND PRIZES OR THIRD PRIZES WHO SEND IN THEIR ESSAYS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS BEFORE MIDNIGHT OF SATURDAY, MAY 13. THIS EXTRA $50.00 WILL BE AWARDED OVER AND ABOVE THE PRIZES SHOWN IN THE TABLE.

Moral—enter NOW. Get to work on your essay. Line up your subscriptions—and WIN!

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Father Charles E. Coughlin
Royal Oak, Michigan

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My Name Is.....

My Address Is.....

Town or City.....State.....

If not a school pupil but classified in "All-American" class, please put "X" here ☐

If a school pupil mark number of your grade here ☐

Name of School.....

Signature of Teacher or Principal.....

Extra Entry Form for Friend or Relative

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HOW TO PROCEED AS A CONTESTANT

1. Fill out an "Official Entry Form" now. Mail it to Father Charles E. Coughlin, Royal Oak, Michigan. In the lower left hand corner of the envelope write: "Contest Dept." Immediately your entry form is received you will be sent an official subscription receipt book. You need no instructions beyond those contained in this Contest section of today's issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE.

2. Write your essay. You may take your time to do this so long as it arrives in our offices or is postmarked at or before Midnight of Saturday, June 10. But, it will PAY YOU WELL to hurry. There is a Promptness Prize of an extra $50.00 for every winner of a Grand, Second or Third Prize whose essay and subscriptions arrive in our offices or are mailed before Midnight of Saturday, May 13.

3. In order to qualify for the prizes you must obtain two yearly subscriptions ($3.00 per year each) or four half yearly subscriptions ($1.50 each) to SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. These must also be in or mailed before Midnight of Saturday, May 13 in order to qualify you for the extra $50.00 for speed and promptness. One yearly and two half-yearly subscriptions will qualify you.

4. Study the Official Table of the Contest on this page. Be sure you write on the proper topic, according to your school grade. If you are not a school pupil, be sure your essay is written on the topic allotted to the "All-American" Division. Be sure your essay does not exceed the maximum number of words allotted for your division. If your essay is LESS than the allotted number of words, it will qualify. If it contains MORE words than the allotted number, it will not qualify. The topic of your essay, which you write across the top of the first page, DOES NOT COUNT as words of your essay.

5. At the bottom of the last page of your essay write your name, your address, the name of your school, your grade. If you are in the "All-American" classification, write your name, your address and the words "All-American."

6. Mail your essay and your subscription stubs, which will be sent to you immediately you enter, with remittance in the same envelope. Please do not enclose any other letter concerning other business you might wish to transact with Father Coughlin or SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. In the lower left corner of the envelope write: "Contest Dept."

7. READ THE RULES CAREFULLY. ENTER TODAY.

$3,750.00 FOR ADULTS

Remember — the "All-American" Division of the great Anti-War Contest is open to all adult Americans and Canadians who are NOT school pupils. This division is conducted altogether distinct and apart from the remainder of the competition. The prizes for adults are the highest in the Contest. Glance over the Official Table.

Anybody can win. It requires no high degree of education to romp off with the Grand Prize of $1,500.00 or any of the other 14 cash awards allotted to the "All-American" Division. The essays will be judged on grammar, spelling, clearness of thought and general development of the allotted subject. Hifalutin language will not count.

Enter now. Do your part to wake America to the dangers of foreign war-mongering. And WIN $1,500.00 in cash. READ THE RULES.

CONTEST RULES

1. The SOCIAL JUSTICE Anti-War Essay Contest is open to all residents of the United States and Canada except employes of Father Coughlin or SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine, or their immediate families. Persons of all races and religious denominations may compete.
2. The Contest shall open on Monday, April 3 and close at midnight on Saturday, June 10.
3. SOCIAL JUSTICE PUBLISHING CO., INC. will pay 135 cash awards totaling $16,000.00 to pupils of public, private or parochial schools recognized by the Department of Education of any State or Province, and to adult persons, not school pupils, who submit the 135 best essays on topics allotted in the "Official Table of the Contest." This table will appear in every issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE during the life of the Anti-War Essay Contest and is completely official and authoritative as to prizes, topics, length of qualifying essays and classification of contestants.
4. The "Official Entry Form" must be used in entering the Contest. A school pupil must have his or her entry form signed by a teacher of his or her grade, or by the school principal.
5. Submitted essays will be judged by a Board of Contest Judges, of which Father Charles E. Coughlin will be Chairman. Each contestant agrees upon entering the Contest to abide by the decisions of the Board of Contest Judges as being final.
6. Competing school pupils shall be classified in grades from the fifth to the twelfth, inclusively. No pupil shall in any way be in competition with pupils in higher or lower grades.
7. The "All-American" Division of the Contest is open to all adult Americans or Canadians who are not school pupils. No "All-American" contestant shall be, in any way, in competition with school pupils or vice versa.
8. Submitted essays shall be in English and shall be judged on a basis of sentence structure, spelling, grammar, clearness of thought and general development of the subject. They may be typewritten or handwritten by pen or pencil. Neatness or the quality of handwriting will not count in judging. No more than four quotations may be used in an essay. A quotation must not be longer than 20 words. Quotation marks do not count as words.
9. All submitted essays shall become the property of SOCIAL JUSTICE PUBLISHING CO., INC. and shall not be returned to contestants.
10. In order to qualify as a prize-winner, each contestant must send in during the life of the Contest two yearly subscriptions to SOCIAL JUSTICE at $3.00 each, four half-yearly subscriptions at $1.50 each, or one yearly and two half-yearly subscriptions. These qualifying subscriptions may be either new, or renewals from present subscribers. Subscriptions and remittances MUST be sent in the same envelope with essay.
11. SOCIAL JUSTICE PUBLISHING CO., INC. cannot be responsible for essays or remittances arriving late or lost in the mails.
12. A contestant may submit any number of duly qualified essays, but each must be supported by two yearly, four half-yearly or one yearly and two half-yearly subscriptions to SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. No contestant may win more than one prize.

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Time to Think

From the *New York Post*

"REASON, AS GENERAL JOHNSON wisely observes, will keep us out of a European war.

"Emotion may drive us in.

"Many Europeans say that certain leading Americans are more emotional, even hysterical, than any responsible statesmen in Europe.

"That's why the *Post* again suggests standing off a bit from the headlines and the maps, the saber rattling, and the dire prophecies—to observe the European picture through the clear spectacles of reason rather than the flame-tinted ones of emotion.

"For our own good. For Europe's good, too.

"Trace back the pattern of the past two years of European crises. One significant fact stands out:

"With all the bluster and bluff of the dictators, with all their fist-shaking in the direction of the democracies, not once have they ventured to threaten a vital link in either the British or French imperial chains.

"Not once!

"It seems difficult to believe that. But let's see.

"In Austria? Neither Britain nor France cared when Hitler absorbed it. It was, let us not forget, a dictatorship before that.

"In Czecho-Slovakia? Hitler marched in there with British and French acquiescence.

"In Ethiopia? Britain did not impose the oil sanctions which could have stopped Il Duce.

"In Spain? British and French creation of the 'nonintervention policy' was direct aid to Franco.

"In Memel? That overwhelmingly German city was reclaimed by Hitler with no word of protest.

"Go over the list. In no case was there any threat to a vital British or French interest.

"Nearest to such a threat were Mussolini's claims in Tunisia and Djibouti. But while Il Duce shouted about them, only two weeks ago—

"When he moved, he didn't move in that direction.

"He moved toward Albania, carefully clear of British spheres of influence, and a country which, for ten years, had been under Mussolini's thumb.

"Now Prime Minister Chamberlain warns Il Duce not to seize Corfu.

"In this case, there is a real menace to the British 'lifeline.'

"If the past is any guide to the future, Mussolini won't move in on Corfu.

"If he does, he will, for the first time, really be imperiling the British Empire.

"And then we shall see how much determination remains behind the lion's growls.

"This is not to say that Hitler and Il Duce will not some day overstep the limits, and plunge Europe into war.

"They may do just that. But if we remember the care which both these dictators have shown in keeping clear of the Franco-British buzzsaw—it is fair to assume that they are not in any hurry to provoke war.

"The gentlemen who see Europe in flames by next Saturday; the statesmen who keep our own nation in jitters with their casual expressions of fears; the rash souls who think Europe's age-old problems can be solved if only "we go over and clean things up"—

"They only unloose their emotions to threaten the reason of all of us.

"Let us remember that America is still at peace.

"Let us remember, too, that the United States has not yet solved the problems of peace.

"They will not be solved by war."

Wilson Secretary of State Warns of War Hysteria

A CALL FOR sobriety in the national leadership in the tense state of foreign affairs, with deference by the President to the judgment of the people and of Congress, "even if it fails to accord with his plans or prepossessions," was made by Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State in the administration of Woodrow Wilson, speaking recently at the golden anniversary dinner of the Sons of the American Revolution at the Hotel Plaza, in New York City.

The *New York Times* quotes Mr. Colby:

"Things have been said and done in Washington within recent weeks in connection with the various forms in which the threat of war has been projected upon public attention which all good men deplore," he said. "This is no time for stage posturing or making the welkin ring or invoking cheap applause. Strong men do not stoop to these expedients.

"I think it may be said that the country views with deep disapproval every brag that has been uttered, every idle challenge that has been spoken, every word that has been said with the obvious purpose to irritate or affront, no matter whom.

"The American people know their courage and their strength. They have given proof of both, and there isn't much doubt in the world about either. And they don't want to be played upon or incited or propagandized. They want their country to speak the language of mature and responsible men deserving of respect and able to exact it."

Outlining the traditional policy of the country in avoiding what Jefferson called "the broils of Europe" and listing 23 conflicts on that continent since 1792, Mr. Colby warned that the statements of administration leaders gave rise to the belief that the historic position had been forsaken.

"In fact, we have become so responsive to every shift and turn of European move and countermove that we could hardly be more if we were a puppet State in southeastern Europe, even a member of the Balkan league itself," he said.

"We in this country know next to nothing about southeastern Europe, nothing that approaches true insight into its problems or their mastery. I doubt if there is a man in Washington who understands these problems of race, religion, language, history, hatreds, rivalries, blood feuds, duplicities, ambitions and aspirations which determine the conduct and policies of these irreconcilable fragments of national existence.

"Are we not content to be out of it and far from it? Is there any conceivable view of our national interest which compels us to jump into this cauldron or, stopping short of war, to use a phrase which lately has become familiar, even to scald our fingers in it?"

Mr. Colby deplored what he termed "the silly attempt in some quarters" to cast reflection upon the isolationist.

We See by the Papers

'Stop Roosevelt, or Else--'

From the *Chicago Tribune*

"MR. ROOSEVELT has made it very clear that he sees himself as the destined savior of what he calls civilization. Woodrow Wilson's experiences in playing the role have been a lesson to the great majority of the American people . . . Even when he was seeking re-election as the man who had kept us out of war he (Mr. Wilson) was considering the very steps which he took shortly after his second inaugural to intervene in Europe. The people who had gratefully re-elected him then fought his war.

"Mr. Roosevelt, unless he is checked by Congress or by the resentment of the people, can put the United States in the next general European conflict. It is an avoidable war, but it will not be avoided if the President of the United States continues to be more bellicose than Chamberlain and Daladier."

'Let It Be The Last Note'

From the *Philadelphia Record*

"By directly, almost bluntly, taking sides in the European picture, the President's message marks a bolder plunge into European affairs than any ever undertaken by an American President, not excepting the mediation efforts of President Wilson during the World War . . .

"If this note—the strongest which could have been written short of an ultimatum—does not work; if it does not halt the dictators—

"Let it be the last!

"Its failure will be the warning that the United States does not possess sufficient influence to change the course of events in Europe—without resort to war . . .

"Our President has done his best for Europe . . . The problems at home need him now."

'League' by Subterfuge

By Arthur Sears Henning, Washington Correspondent

"The United States declined to enter the League of Nations because overwhelming public sentiment opposed the entanglement of our country in foreign political quarrels, entailing the possible obligation of sending American armed forces abroad again to redress the balance of the old world. Mr. Roosevelt, then an ardent advocate of the League of Nations, is now seen to be moving to attain the same objective in another manner."

"Crying 'War, War'"

From *Social Credit*, London, England

"When the War to End War came to an end in 1918 there was no need for our political prophets to cry: Peace, Peace. We took peace for granted. What we wanted to know was how we were going to fare under conditions of peace. Would there be prosperity? To this the prophets made answer: 'Yes—a tremendous amount—at once' . . . And we had better look sharp about it, too; for the Great Opportunity might leap out from round the very next corner.

"Very well. We did it. We surrendered all our cash for securities. And the next thing we knew was that the Great Slump had leapt from round the corner and got us by the throat. In short, the Money Monopoly had sold us a white elephant. We discovered (but how many of us have laid the lesson to heart?) that peace hath her trickeries no less profound than war.

"Today, if we are wise, we shall refuse to listen to any more prophecies from the same quarters . . . We shall remind ourselves that just as they spoke falsely when they made our mouths water at the vision of peace-with-prosperity so they are very likely to be speaking when they made our flesh creep at the vision of war-with-catastrophe."

'War Not Inevitable'

From the *Christian Science Monitor*

"Certainly the everyday citizen should not accept the suggestion hurled from so many sides that war is inescapable. War settles nothing. It is an appeal to force to solve questions that only justice can solve. Intelligence and fairness, whatever the seeming odds and excitement and intolerance, can be exercised as well before an armed conflict as after; in fact, usually better before hatreds have become burned in by brutality."

'Outspending France'

From *The Leader*, San Francisco, Calif.

"Armament expenditures, unprecedented in the peacetime history of the United States, soon will be bleeding the already well-bled taxpayer at the rate of $2-billion—2,000 million dollars—a year.

"To the north of us lies Canada, with about 13-million population. To the south, Mexico, with about 15-million. We have 130-million. We are well armed; they are not. An attack from either of them is unthinkable.

"The armament expenditures of France last year totaled $238-million. Directly to the east, southeast and southwest of France lie three more or less powerful nations—Germany, Italy, Spain—each of which has a legitimate grievance against her . . .

"Yet for every dollar France, with these real and imminent perils confronting her, spent for armament last year, we, with no danger, imminent or prospective, facing us, propose to spend next year $8.60, and as much the year after!"

Stop 'Running Interference'—and 'Play Back!'

AN OPTIMISTIC VIEW of the European situation was professed by Roy W. Howard, of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, in an interview in the Paris edition of the *New York Herald-Tribune*.

Mr. Howard, who recently visited six major capitals of Europe—Rome, Berlin, Moscow, Warsaw, London, and Paris—was interviewed as he embarked for the United States.

"As far as I have been able to observe," he was quoted as saying, "the French and British people, who are closest to the danger zone, appear less jittery, less inclined to hysteria, than certain ultra-vocal elements at home."

Mr. Howard continues:

"For the moment, I think, Americans can contribute more to peace by keeping their shirts on than by taking their coats off.

"If belligerent statements from America were confined to those who expect to do the actual fighting in the event of war, there would be some eloquent silences from the other side of the Atlantic that would be less jarring on European ears than some of the sounds now being wafted over the ether waves.

"It is probably inevitable that the United States should be mixed up in some fashion in this war game, but it seems to me that it would be smarter for us to play back for a while instead of running interference, as some American editors appear to be doing."

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Lewis Motivated by Lust for Power; Fears Federation Gains

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Regardless of whether John L. Lewis reaches an agreement with soft coal operators of the Appalachian area, the negotiations have revealed to what extremes Lewis will go to satiate his personal lust for power.

He has prolonged for more than six weeks the idleness of 338,000 members of the United Mine Workers Union of which he is president. He has threatened a general strike in the nation's coal industry. He has caused terrific losses to railroads, one of which is losing $100,000 a day as a result of the tie-up. He has forced into idleness thousands of men in industries dependent upon coal for operation. He has jeopardized transportation, heating and lighting in many cities.

He has done these things in pursuit of one selfish objective—continued domination of labor in the country's coal industry. Fearful of encroachments by the American Federation of Labor, John L. Lewis has demanded that the "penalty clause" in the Mine Workers' contract be eliminated.

Wages, hours and working conditions, all are satisfactory. Only point of disagreement between him and the coal operators is the "penalty clause" in former contracts under which miners could be fined $1 to $2 a day per man for strikes called in violation of the contract and operators could be fined for lockouts.

Clause Is Weapon Against A. F. of L.

The operators insist on retention of the clause as a guarantee against unjustified, "wildcat" strikes. They balk at the closed shop because such a concession to the C.I.O. would generate difficulties between operators and the A.F.L.

But Lewis, determined to keep his strangle-hold on the throats of America's miners, well realizes the A.F.L. is weaning away his discontented followers in increasing numbers. The closed shop is his only defense.

With the "penalty clause" in effect Lewis cannot scotch the efforts of the A.F.L.'s Progressive Mine Workers to negotiate for contracts at individual mines. Suspension of the clause would enable Lewis to call walkouts whenever the Progressives appeared to be making inroads.

Lewis' fear of the Progressives' strength is well founded. Miners everywhere are souring on his dictatorial methods and his leftist leadership. They are flocking in refuge to the Progressives who are most powerful in Indiana and Illinois fields.

Responsible for most of the discontent is Lewis' constant milking of the United Mine Workers' coffers to advance his own personal interests. From dues paid by the miners approximately $2-million a year has been used to finance organization of the C.I.O. and fight the battles of the strife-torn, Communist-dominated United Automobile Workers. Other large sums have been contributed to aid political campaigns in which Lewis had a stake. Many workers also are complaining about the burden of the check-off, a system which forces members to pay excessive dues and special assessments even though their meagre pay checks will not meet a fraction of their own expenses.

Strike Is Threat to Whole Nation

Lewis undoubtedly is cognizant of the rebellion within his ranks and appreciates the gravity of the situation. The Progressives, with their growing power, have become a serious threat to the very existence of both the Mine Workers and the C.I.O., which it supports.

Before Mayor La Guardia appealed to President Roosevelt to intervene in the deadlock, after he tried desperately to settle it himself, he pointed out that the dispute was threatening complications in the transportation facilities of New York City. The Interborough Rapid Transit Company requires 60,000 tons of coal a month for operation, the Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Company 35,000 and the Consolidated Edison Company, which supplies power for the Independent Subway system, 184,000 tons. This is but an illustration of the utter dependence of many industries—such as steel, utilities and transportation—upon adequate coal supply.

"RALLY 'ROUND THE FLAG, BOYS!"

—From the Chicago Tribune

United States Gives Foreigners $3½-Billion

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United States has made outright gifts totaling more than $3½-billion to foreign countries through its devaluation of the dollar, Representative August H. Andresen of Minnesota told the House last fortnight.

He said the United States, by voluntarily paying $35 an ounce for gold instead of the pre-devaluation price of $20.67, actually is paying a subsidy to foreign gold sellers and speculators—a subsidy of 69 per cent above the real value of the gold.

Andresen was speaking on behalf of a bill he had introduced proposing that foreign gold sellers be required to buy American products with the difference between the old price and new price which they receive now.

Court Ruling to Aid Reds

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United States Supreme Court decision that aliens may not be deported because of former membership in the Communist Party is a lifeline to foreign Reds in this country.

In view of the Court's ruling last week in the Joseph G. Strecker case it is conceivable that Soviet agents in America will find it expedient to foreswear Communist Party membership in order to avoid deportation. Meanwhile they could continue their propagandizing under camouflage.

Strecker, an Austrian who came to the United States in 1912, admitted that he was a member of the Communist Party for three months in 1932. He maintained, however, that his "resignation from the Party" protected him from provisions of a 1918 statute which provides for deportation of aliens who are members of any organization advocating forceful overthrow of the United States Government. The Labor Department secured a deportation order against him in 1934, but he appealed. When the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in his favor the Labor Department appealed to the Supreme Court.

Justices Pierce Butler and James C. McReynolds, conservative members of the Court, dissented from the majority opinion and declared Strecker should be deported.

"The construction of the statute adopted by the Court seems both unwarranted and unfortunate," Justice McReynolds wrote.

"If by the simple process of resigning or getting expelled from a proscribed organization, an alien may thereby instantly purge himself after months or years of mischievous activities, hoped-for protection against such conduct will disappear. Escape from the consequences of deliberate violations of our hospitality should not become quite so facile."

He intimated that the majority ruling was a case of "hair-splitting." "If this alien is guiltless of the charge against him he should be liberated without more ado; if guilty, the public should be relieved of his presence now. That he is an undesirable is made manifest."

The decision is expected to weaken materially the Government's pending deportation case against Harry Bridges, Australian-born chief of the International Longshoremen's Association, a C.I.O. affiliate. Bridges, a known radical, directed the general strike at San Francisco which paralyzed west coast industries in 1934. Deportation proceedings against him were instituted after evidence had been submitted to Congress and the Department of Labor disclosing his membership in the Communist Party.

Labor Secretary Frances Perkins' delay in pressing the charges precipitated a storm of criticism which culminated in an attempt by Representative J. Parnell Thomas of New Jersey to force her impeachment on the ground she was harboring Bridges by failing to enforce deportation laws.

Miss Perkins insisted she was deferring action until the Supreme Court passed on the Strecker case, which she asserted was a parallel. The cases are dissimilar, however. Bridges allegedly was a Communist when arrested; Strecker was not.

After the Strecker decision Thomas charged the ruling provided "justification for a shake-up in the Labor Department." He said the Department deliberately had appealed a weak case, which the Government would lose, for the purpose of establishing a precedent which could be applied to save Bridges and other alien Communists from deportation.

Instigator of strike violence, bloodshed, class warfare and mutiny on the high seas, Bridges, it was indicated last week, will take refuge under the Court's construction of the deportation law.

"I am taking all possible steps to procure my citizenship papers," he said.

Treaty Hurts Wool Industry

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The reciprocal trade agreement negotiated with Great Britain by Secretary of State Hull will destroy the woolen manufacturing industry in the United States, Sylvan Stroock, a New York business man, predicted in a letter published last fortnight in the *Congressional Record*.

Representative Walter G. Andrews, New York, introduced the letter in the House during an attempt to have Congress exempt the woolen industry from provisions of the three-year treaty.

In his letter Mr. Stroock said that unless the concessions to Great Britain were revoked, 50 manufacturers in New York state, employing 7,000 persons, would be forced to suspend operations.

He charged the State Department had "sold out" the woolen industry by denying it protection from foreign imports. Duty reductions as high as 41-2/3 per cent have been effected by the treaty. Imports of woolens have increased 200 per cent in value and worsted imports 100 per cent since January 1 when the treaty became effective, he said.

"I feel confident that long before the three-year period terminates there will be no woolen industry left in this country," he declared.

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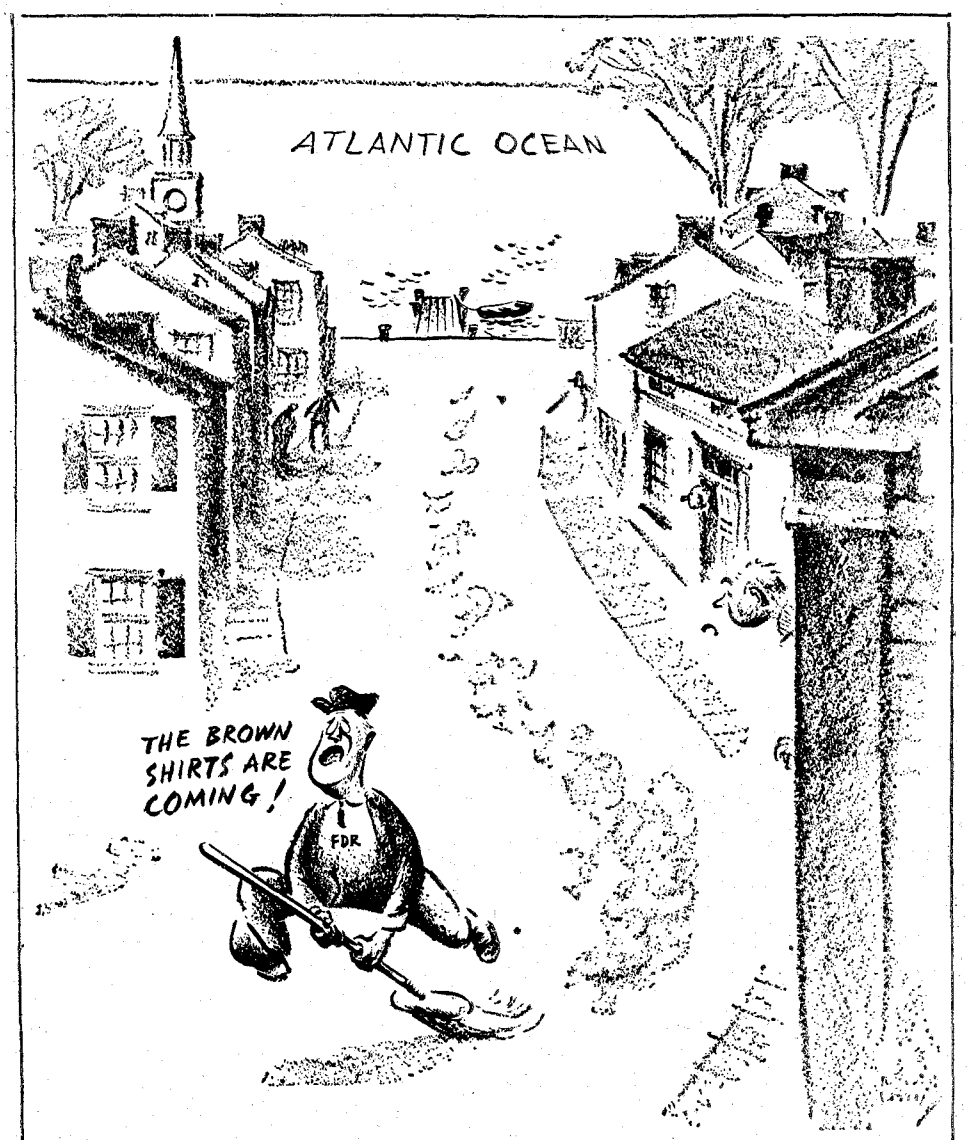
Hint 'Probe' of Roosevelt's Conscience

Where Did You See Them, Paul Revere?



Where Did You See Them, Paul Revere?

—Ross Lewis in the Milwaukee Journal.

President Blames 'Peace Plan' on Insomnia of Himself and Mr. Hull

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The "war quartet" solemnly faced members of the press in a special conference last week as President Roosevelt reported that his "peace plea" to Hitler and Mussolini was dictated by his "conscience."

This quartet, composed in addition to the President, of Secretary of State Cordell Hull, Senator Key Pittman and Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles, listened in silence as Mr. Roosevelt explained that both he and Secretary Hull "slept with clearer consciences" after doing their little bit to keep the peace.

The President said events in Europe convinced him that we in this nation should leave no stone unturned to prevent war, and that he was disturbed until after he had done what he could to prevent an outbreak of its horrors.

Maybe Conscience Was At Work Before!

But if his "conscience" dictated *that* "peace" proposal, then on the basis of that act Congress should investigate Mr. Roosevelt's conscience.

Perhaps the President's conscience led him to declare one week before to friends in Warm Springs, Ga., "I'll be back in the fall if WE don't have a war." There had been no talk at all of WE having a war before that utterance. All speculation centered on how quickly Europe would have a war; not how soon WE would have one.

It was readily pointed out that this utterance was that of a war-mongering tongue. Can it be possible that Mr. Roosevelt's "conscience" told him at that time that WE should have a war?

Then, it is possible that Senator Pittman, most vigorous war-maker in the Senate, suffered remorse of conscience just before he delivered his blunt declaration: "The people of the United States don't like the government of Germany. The people of the United States don't like the government of Japan," etc.

No Such Trouble For Mr. Hull

Mr. Hull can't have had much conscience trouble, even though the President said he was not suffering from insomnia as a result of the peace plea to the dictators. Mr. Hull hasn't said much, but his satellite, Mr. Welles has found plenty to say. He must have a much more active conscience, because he is rumored to be in line for Mr. Hull's job.

Mr. Roosevelt's conscience may have prodded him into blasting the "aggressors" more than once. This peace-seeking conscience led him into a practical financial and military alliance with France, led him into the same sort of deal with Britain, led him into secret war conferences with the Senate Foreign Affairs committee, and led him to declare an alliance with Canada in event of war.

Perhaps Mr. Roosevelt's conscience has found the way to peace. If so it must be the "peace that passeth all understanding."

WASHINGTON QUIZ

YOU DON'T NEED to be a quiz whiz to know the answers to the following questions on current events. If memory fails you, look through the back issues of your daily newspaper. You'll find all the answers there—between the lines.

QUESTIONS

1. When President Roosevelt spoke of the possibility of "we" having a war in the fall, did he mean "we"?

2. General Sherman once said "war is hell." What does President Roosevelt say?

3. What makes Interior Secretary Harold L. Ickes so miserable?

4. According to the Constitution, Congress declares war on other nations, but who declares war on Congress?

5. If you were a Communist, what would you say about Franco now that he has driven the Communists out of Spain?

6. Did you ever think it strange that there are a lot of laws on the books that are never enforced until somebody wants to run for office with a big publicity splash?

7. Correct this sentence: "The American League for Peace and Democracy is just as vigorous in its opposition to dictatorship in Communist Russia as it is to dictatorship in Germany and Italy."

8. If you wanted to make Mussolini and Hitler real mad so that they'd blow off a lot of steam and get a lot of people to hate them, what would you do?

9. If the devil himself were arranging the Peace Treaty of Versailles after the World War, what would he do?

10. What was the biggest egg rolled out on the White House lawn?

ANSWERS

1. He didn't say "they" did he?

2. He doesn't say much, but apparently he thinks war is peachy.

3. The columnists don't give him enough publicity.

4. President Roosevelt.

5. I'd accuse him of butchering all the Communist prisoners that were left; all the women and children.

6. Yes, many, many times.

7. Correction: "The American League for Peace and Democracy opposes dictatorship in Germany and Italy exclusively, because it is a Communist organization with a flock of 'respectable' fronts."

8. I'd send them a proposal for peace in which I blamed them solely for all the ills of Europe, and invite them to sign an agreement not to steal any more land or kill any more people so that "peace" might be preserved. That ought to do the trick.

9. Saddle one nation with all the responsibility for the war, cripple her, take her money, food and resources and then sit back and laugh while she tried to keep alive.

10. The appointment of Comrade Thomas R. Amlie of Wisconsin to the Interstate Commerce Commission. The egg rolled right off the lawn and out into the street where a truck hit it.

Congressman Sorrows Over W.P.A. Diapers

Asks Cessation of 'Monkey Business'

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The disgraceful state of affairs in the Works Progress Administration drew much Congressional attention when the W.P.A. lobbyists pulled out their trump cards in an attempt to bolster the appropriation for this agency.

Many Congressmen, collar-hot, spoke their minds about W.P.A., its inefficiency, graft, corruption and moral decay. But none struck closer to the bulls-eye than Representative George H. Bender of Ohio.

Representative Bender, warming up to his subject, steered off several requests to "yield" on the House floor until he completed the following address:

"If all the monkey business were taken out of W.P.A., if all the hokum were taken out of it, and if the poor people for whom this money is earmarked would really get the money, we would not have a request for $150-million now.

"I have a clipping taken from a Nebraska newspaper, the *Omaha Evening World-Herald*. The main article on this day carries the headline, 'Diapers distributed to aged on relief here to get rid of them.'

"'Charges that the W.P.A. sewing center here has made so many thousand diapers that State officials are distributing them as surplus commodities to the aged were made by E. F. Magaret, county relief director, and County Commissioners Jacobberger, Bergman, and Burns in a conference with State assistance officials today.

"'Mr. Magaret brought up the diapers, the $5,000 worth of Surplus Commodity Corporation potatoes that rotted in Omaha, and other matters to show that local control was more efficient in relief than "remote control" from Lincoln, Nebr., or Washington.

"'So many diapers were made that the Surplus Commodities distribution management was alarmed,' said Mr. Magaret. 'Orders were out to get rid of them before the public found out.

"'Lately the old-age people on relief have been getting diapers in their surplus-commodities packages. Old men asking overalls were surprised to find diapers in their packages.'

"Can you imagine yourself as an old fellow out of work and in need of a pair of pants or overalls? Your Government sends you a package. You beam with expectancy when the mailman comes with that package. You say, 'Well, here is Uncle Sam coming to my rescue.' Then instead of giving you a pair of overalls they send you a couple of diapers. I will agree that a diaper is a very useful garment, but not for an old person. What in the world do they think we are, a nation of Mahatma Gandhis?"

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How Mounting Deficit Steals Family Funds

By **HON. FRANK CARLSON**
Representative from Kansas

Deficit:

IT IS INTERESTING to note that in 1930 the Federal debt stood at $16,-185,000,000. In the message as submitted to Congress by the Bureau of the Budget we find at the end of the fiscal year 1940, according to their estimates, the debt will have reached the enormous total of $44,458,000,000. In other words, we have added a debt of more than $28,273,000,000 in 10 years!

Income:

The Roosevelt administration is responsible for all of this amount with the exception of approximately $5-billion. It has been the theory of the present Administration to secure recovery by pump priming or bring about prosperity by spending borrowed money. The facts are that in 1932 we had a national income of $40-billion. In 1938 it was something over $60-billion. These results should prove to anyone that we cannot spend borrowed money continually and secure national prosperity and security. This excessive spending and taxation of our citizens and industries paralyzes business, destroys confidence, and increases our unemployment problem.

On February 1 of this year the national debt amounted to a new all-time high of $39,684,970,614, and the deficit for the fiscal year beginning last July 1 is over $2-billion. At the present rate it will be well over $3-billion by June 30.

Outgo:

At the present time the Federal Government is spending money at the rate of $18,000 per minute. If we total the expenditures of the state, county, and local governments, we will find it approximates $17-billion, or more than 25 per cent of our national income. This means that every citizen must work 1 day out of every 4 for the Government.

Unfortunately, many of our citizens are led to believe that the rich are going to pay the taxes, that the Federal Government should never hesitate to spend money, as the taxes are always paid somewhere else or by someone else. For your information I am submitting a recent quotation from Roger W. Babson on this subject:

"Last year public spending, including not only the Federal but the state, county, and local governments, totaled $17-billion. This represented more than 25 per cent of the national income. Add up the number of individuals getting support from the Government. My figures show 25-million. One person out of every six gets his livelihood from the Government. There are only 51-million workers who should be gainfully employed. This means that every private wage-earner is not only supporting his family, but another person, on the public pay roll.

A Family:

"Just for illustration, let us take a family which earns $35 a week, $150 a month, or $1,800 a year. Studies show that such a family spends about $10 per week, or $500 a year, on food. Of this, 70 cents per week, or $35 per year, represents hidden taxes. Each year these taxes add over $5 to the milk bill, $9 to the butcher's statement, $5 to the butter and egg man's bill, $5 to the baker's charges. On every roast of beef there are 127 hidden taxes; on every loaf of bread, 53 unseen taxes.

"The average family probably spends $30 per month for rent. Of this amount, $7.50 per month, or $90 per year, is for local taxes. Each year the automobile eats up $175 of the family's income. In this amount is $35 for the tax collector. The same official, through 79 separate taxes, takes $5 out of a $50 suit. With 143 different taxes, he grabs 50 per cent of the price of a package of cigarettes. This newspaper is paying 83 taxes you readers know nothing about. Every movie ticket carries 61 hidden donations to the Public Treasury. And when someone dies, these invisible taxes hit a record high—there are 157 of them.

"All told, this average family—which owns no real property and thinks it pays no taxes—forks over $230 to $240 of its annual income of $1,800 for hidden taxes. This represents one-seventh of the total income. It means that for every 6 days the family breadwinner works for himself, he works 1 for the tax collector. (In the case of very wealthy people the reverse is true; they work 1 day for themselves and 6 for the public.) The significant point is that these unseen taxes are rising every year. In 1933 the hidden tax collector forced the wage-earner to work only 1 day in 10. How soon will he be working 1 day in 3?"

People Become Victims of Their Own Indifference

By **HON. J. THORKELSON**
Representative from Montana

IF OUR PEOPLE sit idly by and constantly take it on the chin, they invite destruction and become victims of their own indifference. Persistent attempts are being made to convert our republican democracy into a socialistic state to be ruled by a minority whose power is in the control of the nation's gold and money.

Let us not forget that money is a greater power than the Government itself, and that the New Deal administration has deprived us of gold security and made beggars of our people by placing them in subservience to this minority. The very power derived from control of money has made it possible for this small group to acquire control of news agencies for no other purpose than to keep the public ignorant of the real state of affairs.

Many publications, pictures, and radio stations are controlled by this same group—for what purpose? To feed socialistic and communistic poison to our people. This same insidious group is entrenched not only in Washington but in the larger cities throughout the United States, and is in apparent harmony with various departments in the Federal Government.

Canada Not Sure Of War Course

By **HON. HENRIK SHIPSTEAD**
Senator from Minnesota

I WISH TO CALL the attention of the Senate to an address made by the Premier of Canada, Hon. Mackenzie King, and printed in the *Record of the House of Commons* of the Canadian Parliament for Thursday, March 30, 1929.

Canada is our neighbor; Canadians are the same kind of people we are; and Canada has a parliamentary form of government. I think this address by the Canadian Prime Minister dealing with domestic and foreign affairs, explaining the Canadian policy in such scholarly and temperate terms, as I think such matters should always be discussed, should be made known to the members of the Senate. Therefore, I take the pleasure and privilege of reading a few paragraphs from the address of the Canadian Prime Minister.

"Speaking as the Prime Minister of Canada, I wish to say that I am not prepared any more than is the Prime Minister of Great Britain to engage this country by new and unspecified commitments operating under conditions which cannot now be foreseen . . .

"I cannot accept the view which is being urged in some quarters, today, that regardless of what government or party may be in office, regardless of what its policy may be, regardless of what the issue itself may come to be, this country should say here and now that Canada is prepared to support whatever may be proposed by the Government at Westminster."

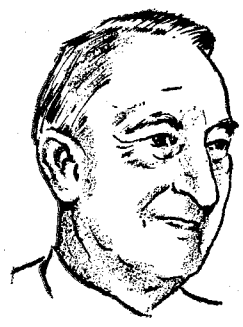
Mark that, the Prime Minister of Canada says he cannot accept the view that Canada must follow the policy, whatever it may be, that Westminster may decide upon. Then he continues:

"The idea that every 20 years this country should, automatically and as a matter of course, take part in a war overseas for democracy or self-determination of other small nations—that a country which has all it can do to run itself should feel called upon to save, periodically, a continent that cannot run itself, and to these ends risk the lives of its people, risk bankruptcy and political disunion—seems to many a nightmare and sheer madness."

War Power Lies With Congress

By **HON. WALTER GEORGE**
Senator from Georgia

UNDOUBTEDLY THERE HAS BEEN propaganda in this country—very widespread propaganda and very subtle in its nature—to get us into war; that is, to create the war sentiment and mold the war mind here in the United States. The issue of peace and war, however, lies right in this body and in the body at the other end of the Capitol. It ought to be made abundantly clear and plain that we do not propose to carry the country into war; that when that issue arises, there are those of us here, humble though we may be, who will not vote to have the country go into war.



SENATOR GEORGE

I desire to take occasion to say that *anyone, whether in high or in low place, who gives assurance to European nations that this country is ready to go to war and will go to war, is simply misleading European nations,* because the Congress of the United States and the American people have no idea of again engaging in a foreign war. They are highly resolved, I think, upon that course.

There is no need to gloss over the matter. Within less than a week the President of the United States, in bidding good-bye to the people of my own State, said: "I will see you again at Thanksgiving if we do not have war." That declaration, made by the President of the United States will arouse and has aroused a genuine fear throughout this Nation that somebody has afforded some encouragement to the distinguished English statesman who today said that the United States was in full sympathy with, or fully shared, the expressions that had just been made in the House of Commons by the English Prime Minister.

I speak very humbly here; but when the issue arises I will stand back of this desk and cast my vote against any participation in any war anywhere that means carrying our boys to foreign soil; and I believe Congress will do the same thing. The issue at least is here in the Senate and in the House, and it ought to be made abundantly clear to the American people and to the peoples of Europe that we do not propose to enter into any European war.

Not President But We Decide

By **HON. JOHN M. VORYS**
Representative from Ohio

WHAT DO WE MEAN by "declaring war," which is the constitutional duty solely of Congress?

We know that in modern times styles of warfare have changed. First, wars are started without being formally declared, and, second, warfare through economic pressure and military threats can be practically as effective as old-fashioned warfare, accompanied by bloodshed. Does anyone, except the President, think that war is not going on in China? Does anyone, including the President, deny that we are not now in a secret military alliance with Great Britain? Here are the headlines of this morning's *Post*:

"Britain Invites All Nations to Resist Hitler Dominations; United States Asks Bids on Eight Warships; Proposals Sought Even Before Funds Are Voted in Move to Speed Program."

This is the sort of thing that the monthly publication by the national committee of the Communist Party, United States of America, describes in its April issue as follows:

"The foreign policy of the United States takes on a firmer, more decisive character * * * a serious consideration of America's foreign policy is no longer possible without careful thought as to where and how the President's clear stand against Berlin-Rome-Tokyo aggression can be implemented by co-operation with other powers * * * the common anti-Fascist and peace-loving interests of the United States and the Soviet Union, if grasped without loss of time, can become decisive * * * but the President's policy requires that it be pursued resolutely and without the hesitations which have permitted our hands to be tied so long by the crudely unneutral Neutrality Act."

On March 10, 1939, Joseph Stalin, before the eighteenth Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, said:

"The new imperialist war has become a fact * * * We stand for support to nations which have fallen prey to aggression and are fighting for the independence of their countries."

I now ask, have we an alliance with Great Britain and Soviet Russia; have we in secret already declared war on somebody?

Let us make it clear to our own country and to the world that our only foreign policies are those which have been approved by Congress, which are not secret, which anyone may read, and that they are based not on war and force against anyone but upon peace and justice. In determining this policy openly and deliberately we have a duty to co-operate with the Executive and a right to expect his co-operation with us.

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Reds Spend Ten Million In U.S.

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Communist books, pamphlets, handbills, etc. (according to convention report of May, 1938, issued 15-million pamphlets) estimated publication of 5,000 copies of books by six publishing houses	1,375,000.00
Bishop Montgomery Brown willed in 1937 to Communist party (unaccounted for in any of the reports herein)	345,000.00
Special fund, Communist Party (Sept. 13, 1937)	220,000.00
Radio fund, Communist party, annual	10,000.00
Sunday Worker and "Weekly Magazine Section" for Sunday 3 daily papers. Estimated cost of	105,000.00
Midwest Daily Record (official Communist Party organ). Raised $60,000 organization fund, 1937. Estimated annual operating cost $80,000. (See *Midwest Peoples Daily*, December 5, 1937)	140,000.00
1937 Deficit fund for *New Masses* weekly Communist publication ($20,000) estimated additional cost of operation $80,000	100,000.00
Party Organizer, official Communist party organ	11,969.90
Organization fund (1937) for *Daily Peoples World*, official Communist organ (see *Western Worker* Dec. 27, 1937) $35,000; estimated operating cost per year for daily $80,000	115,000.00
Daily *Freiheit* deficit fund raised 1937 $70,000. (Estimated additional operating cost $60,000)	130,000.00
Daily Worker Deficit Fund for one year $120,000; estimated additional cost per year $175,000	295,000.00
Herndon Defense Committee	15,000.00
The *Communist* (official Communist party organ) estimated cost twice the amount of receipts but only reported amount received indicated	20,869.20
Communist International, estimated cost five times receipts, but only reported amount received indicated	9,316.05
Imprecor, official weekly organ of Communist International. English edition. Estimated cost three times reported receipts	4,741.50
Workers' Alliance (does not include its 48 state and numerous local office expenses which are not estimated here)	68,314.94
Young Communist League (national office only) does not include state and local offices or local publications $7,300. Estimated cost of *Young Communist Review* and *Young Worker* and other organs $28,000. No estimate included on state and local offices and publications	35,300.00
Communist Camps (advertised rates $18 per week per person, season three months)	325,000.00
Communist schools (advertised rates $3 per 12 week season and up — three sessions annually. Figure does not include "sustaining funds" raised by each of the Communist schools	600,000.00
"Friends of the Soviet Union" $25,000 for propaganda mass meets against "Hearst;" $10,000 to fight a libel suit brought by one Levine; $10,000 to promote the cause of Russia; estimated annual cost of monthly organ $42,000. Estimated cost of sending "worker" delegates to Russia annually $10,000; estimated cost to carry on national office activities annually $12,000 (not including numerous state and local branch activities	107,000.00
	$9,158,852.55

In addition to the activities listed, might also be included the Communist sport, theater, writers, professionals, youth congresses, special mass meetings with gate receipts running from $20,000 down, labor fronts, hundreds of other magazines and newspapers, all of which are utilized frequently in the course of any year to further propagandize the cause of Communism in the United States.

Senate Finds Answer to Alliance Question in League Report of 1919

Same Arguments Still True After Twenty Years of Foreign Entanglements

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United States Senate is today engaged in the same argument which it settled decisively 20 years ago. And two of the Senators who once kept America out of a European tangle are still fighting for that principle.

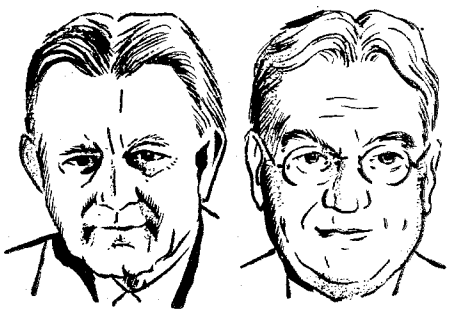
On November 19, 1919, at 10:30 p. m., the United States Senate refused to ratify the Treaty of Versailles by a vote of 38 to 53, and thus, after a four months' debate, served notice to the world that the United States officially rejected the League of Nations covenant.

In maintaining the stand first taken by George Washington on the question of entangling foreign alliances, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee issued a report which is as important to today's foreign policy as the latest Roosevelt speech on war.

"The United States cannot permit its conduct and honor to be questioned by other nations," read the majority report which opposed our alliance with the League of Nations.

Declared for American Independence!

"Under no circumstances," the report continued, "must there be any legal or moral obligation upon the United States to enter into war or to send its Army and Navy abroad, or without the unfettered action of Congress, to impose economic boycotts on other countries.



SENATOR BORAH — SENATOR JOHNSON

"No American soldiers or sailors must be sent to fight in other lands at the bidding of a League of Nations. American lives must not be sacrificed, except by the will and command of the American people acting through their constitutional representatives in Congress.

"This covenant of the League of Nations is an alliance, and not a league, as is amply shown by the provisions of the treaty with Germany, which vests all essential power in five great nations.

"The League as it stands will breed wars instead of securing peace. The covenant of the League demands sacrifices of American independence and sovereignty which would in no way promote the world's peace, but which are fraught with the gravest dangers to the future safety and well-being of the United States.

"At this moment, the United States is free from any entanglements or obligations which legally or in the name of honor would compel her to do anything contrary to the dictates of conscience or to the freedom and interests of the American people. This is the hour when we can say precisely what we will do and exactly what we will not do, and no man can ever question our good faith if we speak now. When we are once caught in the meshes of a treaty of alliance or a League of Nations composed of 26 other powers, our freedom of action is gone."

Pro-Leaguers Used Same Arguments

Included in the names affixed to that great document are William E. Borah (Idaho) and Hiram Johnson (California).

The minority, urging our entrance into the League of Nations painted the same glowing picture of international alliances now being drawn by proponents of the Anglo-French-Soviet alliance.

"It will save the world from wars and preparations for wars," they said. "It will reduce armies and navies and taxes. It will make war of conquest impossible by uniting all nations against the offender." Now it is called "aggressor." All these things the League of Nations was to do for the nations who joined.

These same promises made 20 years ago, are now being advanced by proponents of the alliance of the "democracies." The only signer of the minority report still in the United States Congress is Senator Key Pittman (Nevada) who, by an unfortunate circumstance, is chairman of the foreign relations committee, and who still acts upon his 20-year-old conviction that America's frontiers are somewhere near Geneva.

The Senate is now engaged in a controversy, even more important than the League argument of 1919. This time it is "to save religion, democracy, and international good faith among nations." The proposed League of Nations, better known as "the democracies," is more dangerous than the last one, because the world war of this generation is yet to be declared.

COINCIDENCE?

Isn't it significant that the most vigorous lobbyists for "boycotting the aggressors" are officers and directors of the League of Nations Association?

The hope of the United States for peace rests with 22 members of the Senate foreign relations committee. It does not rest with President Roosevelt, who has already joined the Wilsonian democrats. His intentions have been made clear.

The 22 Senators in whose hands rest America's decision for peace or war, in addition to Senators Johnson, Pittman and Borah:

Senators Pat Harrison of Mississippi, Walter F. George of Georgia, Robert F. Wagner of New York, Tom Connally of Texas, Elbert D. Thomas of Utah, Frederick Van Nuys of Indiana, James E. Murray of Montana, L. B. Schwellenbach of Washington, Claude Pepper of Florida, Theodore F. Green of Rhode Island, Alben Barkley of Kentucky, Robert R. Reynolds of North Carolina, Joseph F. Guffey of Pennsylvania, Guy M. Gillette of Iowa, Arthur Capper of Kansas, Robert LaFollette of Wisconsin, Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan, Wallace H. White of Maine and Henrik Shipstead of Minnesota.

No War for Us Senators Insist

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Senate is in revolt at the "war talk" of New Dealers in the executive department. Members of that body whose duty it is to frame American foreign policy are beginning to protest the encroachments upon their power by Mr. Roosevelt lately.

Senator George of Georgia charged that the Presidential chatter "has aroused a genuine fear throughout the nation. Whoever gives assurance," said he, "whether they be in high or low places, to European nations that this country is ready to go to war and will go to war is simply misleading European nations. Congress and the American people have no idea of engaging in a foreign war."

Senator Taft of Ohio charged the administration with acting upon the illusion "that we can show all kinds of favoritism to one group of countries without getting involved in a war."

"War is the natural state of Europe," said Senator Ashurst of Arizona. "Those who believe that America can make any contribution in solving the problems of Europe will look and labor and hope in vain."

"Keep cool on war," Senator Donahey of Ohio advised his constituents. "Believe nothing you hear and half of what you see. On the question of war and associated subjects, make your representatives tell you exactly where they stand."

Detroit Radio Party

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States then refused to join the League of Nations, which was set up as an international police force to enforce the terms dictated by the victors against the vanquished. Having taken gold and colonies away from defeated Germany, the gold-hoarding nations then exacted indemnity payments from the defeated Germans *in gold*.

The Rome-Berlin axis, and its converts among the non-gold nations of Europe, are a logical defensive mechanism both against Communism and gold-hoarding capitalism whose exploitation gave rise to Communism.

Not one treaty concluding a European war was ever kept, he pointed out. "If President Wilson or President Roosevelt were to look in upon this meeting here tonight they would know that the independent spirit of America has not changed. Our determination to keep clear of foreign entanglements is as clear and as strong as it was in George Washington's day. That determination, he said, will back the United States Senate in voting down any "cash-and-carry" neutrality.

If we adopt any such a bankers' neutrality policy we might as well prepare to fight. Twenty years hence our descendents will read of our deception by the financialists in 1939 as now we read how we were deceived into the World War 22 years ago.

The message by which President Wilson was induced to go to war—after having been elected on the claim that he kept us out—is presented more fully in Father Coughlin's message "From the Tower" in SOCIAL JUSTICE today.

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Long Live Franco!

TO THE EDITOR:

Recently the *New York Daily News* has been clamoring for mercy on the part of General Franco towards his beaten foes in Spain. But did anyone hear as much as one squawk from the *News* when those same foes of Franco were murdering in the most inhuman manner thousands of priests, nuns and lay Christians? No indeed! We did not see any such protest—the *News* was afraid that it might offend its advertisers.

We wonder also what the leftist Pearson and Allen have to say for themselves, now that the Christian forces have won in Spain. These writers had been predicting a Loyalist victory so long and so vehemently that one is surprised to find no comment in their columns about Spain since Franco won.

With our fellow Christians in Spain, we unite in saying: *"Long live Franco!"*

Brooklyn, N. Y. —JOHN DILLON

Prohibition Again?

TO THE EDITOR:

Twenty-two years ago the Allies told us that if we did not go "over there" the Germans would surely come over here. We must fight for the freedom of all small nations, to make the world "safe for democracy" in a war to end all wars. Germans were "Huns." The Allies had their backs to the wall—it was up to the United States to finish the job of saving "democracy."

After it was all over, we heard that England won the war. They said that Uncle Shylock came in to grab the credit, after Germany's best soldiers were killed—and the only thing we got was prohibition!

Shall we repeat the performance?

Philadelphia, Pa.—JAMES O'KEEFE

A Leftist Record

TO THE EDITOR:

On the "Letters" page of your issue of March 27th I note an inquiry by Anna L. Willard who asks, "Why does this country tolerate Communist, Fascist and Nazi leagues, units, bunds or whatever else you choose to call them?"

It is a proper question, and one that millions of patriotic citizens are asking. I think the main reason for this shameful condition is the fact that we have an Administration whose ideals of government are almost an exact duplicate of those of Josef Stalin of Russia.

The actions of our Chief Executive for the last six years have plainly indicated his preference for that class of people. We have witnessed his recognition of Russia; his silence on the sit-down strikes; his appointment of Jewish Communists to key Government positions; his seating of a notorious "Liberal" on the United States Supreme Court bench; his confiscation of the people's gold and its gift to the Federal Reserve Bank; and his acceptance of a $500,000 campaign fund from the "Communistic" C.I.O.

But why enumerate further?

This Administration has been the greatest "flop" in American history, and to distract the people's attention Mr. Roosevelt now proposes to pick a quarrel with Germany and Italy over the round-up of Communists by Hitler. The President is willing to sacrifice thousands of American gentiles to get his revenge on the man who has persecuted Jews. It appears that eventually he intends to make of America a home for them. Already they are arriving by the shipload to either take jobs from Americans or go on relief.

Underhill, Vt. —W. L. BLAISDELL

Letters

(We aim to make this a free forum and readers' opinions are invited. Naturally the views expressed are not always those of this magazine.—EDITOR.)

Another Pulpit 'Front'

TO THE EDITOR:

When I read in the *Midwest Daily* (Communist) that Rev. James Luther Adams of Meadville Theological School was to speak over Radio Station WHIP on "Mr." Coughlin and Americanism, I knew that the "Reverend" was "either a fool or a knave" —and when at the end of the broadcast I learned that he was publicizing the American League for Peace and Democracy—I knew that he was both. This "League" is nothing more than one of the Communist front organizations. No thinking Christian can possibly be identified with organizations of this sort.

Can this gentleman possibly think that the American public believes that Father Coughlin would dare make the assertions he does over the air and in his publication without having the proof of what he says? To anyone who even scratches the surface of Communism, his assertions are only too true. And if one takes the trouble to attend a few Communist meetings and to read a few Jewish publications—the truth of his statements becomes more than evident.

So we shall have to place Mr. Adams where he belongs—in the anti-Fascist, Communist front.

I shall not attempt to analyze all the gentlemen and publications he mentioned over the air. But one, especially, deserves comment and that is the *Catholic Worker*. In my humble opinion, this sheet should drop the word, "Catholic"—it reads like the Communist *Daily Worker*. As Miss Day, who is prominently identified with it, was quite markedly on the side of the Spanish Loyalist Reds—I need say nothing further.

Father Coughlin is telling only the sad truth—and it is to be hoped that his listeners increase, as it is only the truth that can set us free.

Chicago, Ill. —CHRISTIAN

Map Makers' Jitters

TO THE EDITOR:

I wish to comment on the article "Map Makers" on page 17 of your April 10th edition.

Last Tuesday evening (April 4th) on "We the People" broadcast, Mr. McNally personally informed the people that it was not Europe which is responsible for the map makers' jitters, but it is our Government which causes them so much work. By moving a line here and there, European maps are taken care of, but with the many Federal projects in the United States, numerous towns cease to exist while an equal number of new cities are created in entirely different territories.

What appears to be public opinion regarding European changes was briefly dramatized, and this was followed by Mr. McNally's assertion that facts are contrary to the popular conception.

—ANNE C. BEAUREGARD

West Toledo, O.

American Interests First

TO THE EDITOR:

The idea that naturalized citizens, combining to foster the interests of their former countries, have no place in the United States is being discussed in the papers lately. This idea might be right.

But is it not logical, then, to consider all Zionist societies as falling into that category? Being combines of American citizens, they also should be prohibited from actions that concern themselves with affairs of their native country. Nobody should be permitted to put the interests of a foreign land before those of the United States of America.

—HERBERT SMITH

Bronx, N. Y.

Is This the Plan?

TO THE EDITOR:

Listening in on the grapevines, the planned program of the Invisible High Command for the fulfilment of the plans of anti-Christ and the eventual domination of all Christendom is to be accomplished thus:

Czecho-Slovakia was the baited lure into which Hitler unwarily walked. He was actually invited to take over that country! The High Command then had the necessary foundation for welding into one fighting unit the armies of their dupes, the French and English people, and make them raring to tear into Hitler on the ever-swelling crescendo of "Hitler Will Dominate the Earth," "Another Napoleon Threatens Europe," etc. Of course, the smaller nations were easily frightened into forming another Little Entente to join in the forthcoming "Holy War" against Germany and Italy.

America, of course, far from the screaming hell of Europe's war fronts will be their G. H. Q. The fact that the High Command is transferring their gold deposits from Europe to Fort Knox is sufficient proof for even the Congressional mentality if they choose to use the few wits the good Lord gave them.

Note this: Russia was not snubbed by the English and French. Russia purposely stayed out. The invisible Military Board of Strategy located in Moscow, with thinly disguised operatives posing as English and French statesmen, has ordained that when Christian Europe has finally ravaged itself by war—when the proud cities of England and France, Germany and Italy are reduced to blackened, smoking ruins, populated only by starved, disease-ridden wrecks which once were human beings—*Then will Communist Russia strike!*

Russia, through all the raging riot of this, the last days of Christian Europe, will be calmly waiting, craftily perfecting her fighting machine—ready to pounce.

And when sanity and order, morality and law in Europe are no more, Communism, aided by its still intact atheistic segments in England, France, Germany, Italy and America will smear its sticky red pall over all the bleeding lands of Christ.

The headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church in Rome, and the Pope, held hostage in self-preservation by Mussolini, will have been destroyed with Italy.

The United States, Communist by intent and by radical domination since 1933, with its hundred immigrant nationalities, rotted by unemployment, pauperized by fighting in Europe—all these things will have the land of Washington an easy prey for the Communist Mexican hordes of Trotsky (Bronstein), to whom successful revolution after his coup in Russia and Mexico, is merely a matter of the time and the place.

And amid the wreckage of Christianity and the crash of worlds, one sad note of humor shall remain. The Grinning Ghoul shall be handed a crown of brass. His sceptre shall be a shovel from the W. P. A. His throne shall be fashioned from the empty skulls of those who perpetuated his power. And through the bars of his padded cell shall the queer-red sunlight fall as he aimlessly giggles his ghostly gaucheries through a cardboard microphone.

—J. GORDON BEALIE

Jersey City, N. J.

RABBI CORRECTS 'TALMUD' SLANDER

TO THE EDITOR:

In SOCIAL JUSTICE of March 27th there appeared a letter entitled "Jewish Influence" signed J. A. B. of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Since I assume that Father Coughlin did not see that screed and it was published without his knowledge and scrutiny, I request and believe that you will publish with equal conspicuousness my reply to that anonymous communication.

The writer quotes, in caustic criticism of the Jews, a certain translation of the *Talmud* giving the following five commandments as "the five cardinal principles of Judaism: Love ye one another; Love the robbery; Love lasciviousness; Hate your masters; Never tell the truth."

This criticism is a gross presumption of ignorance. The translation cited does not in any way indicate that the statement ascribed to Canaan is "five cardinal principles of Judaism." Further, the statement in the translation given is inaccurate inasmuch as it represents Canaan as the son of Ham when according to the Bible, Ham was the father of Canaan. Further, the Bible itself represents Canaan as cursed. How could such a one be taken as representative of the fundamental teachings of the Jewish religion? Only a mind perniciously prejudiced would accept such a view.

No one with sufficient mentality to keep him out of an asylum for the insane would make such a claim as representative of either Jewish principles or practice. One can easily cite from Christianity as well as from Judaism, individual opinions which only make more conspicuous the rule to the contrary. I say to you in this connection that there is no teaching of benignity, beauty and beneficence in the whole range of Christian thought that is not abundantly anticipated and just as much practiced in Jewish literature and life.

Your correspondent says with reference to the Jewish people that "their instructions never to tell the truth should set us on guard when considering any statement made by a Jew." How can you allow such cowardly falsification to be propagated through your publication?

I therefore respectfully request and am confident that you will give proper publicity to my reaction to the cowardly falsifications of the anonymous writer of that letter.

—RABBI ALEXANDER LYONS
Congregation Bethelohim

Brooklyn, N. Y.

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House Discloses Red Rule of Alliance

See Barter As Subsidy

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Although the New Deal administration announced the Byrnes barter program—providing the exchange of American wheat and cotton for foreign tin and rubber—as a war-planning measure, neither the War nor Navy Departments were informed of the proposal.

Examinations of the measure conducted by observers in the national capital here leads to the belief that, like the foreign plane deal with the French Military, the Byrnes program is another underhanded attempt to subsidize a foreign nation at American expense.

The Treasury Department, through the stabilization fund, subsidized the sale of American airplanes to France. The fatal crash of a bombing plane in test flight on the west coast revealed this lamentable fact. Now the nation is confronted with the Byrnes "barter" plan to exchange American cotton and wheat with Britain, the Netherlands and Belgium for stores of tin and rubber, with the subsidy factor hidden in the relative exchange value of the commodities concerned.

When Agriculture Secretary Wallace suggested that the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation offer American wheat to foreign buyers at one-half the American market price, opposition arose from the American taxpayers who, as usual, would foot the bill. Secretary Wallace's surplus cotton plan of the same nature met the same opposition.

Thus the Administration, in the belief of many observers, created a fictional "barter" system to satisfy the opposition. The plan, reports here have it, originated with none other than the same Mr. Wallace who reportedly proposed it to Secretary of State Cordell Hull last January when he was negotiating the bilateral trade agreements. At that time, it is understood, Secretary Hull was but mildly interested in the proposal, putting full faith in his trade agreements.

Lately, however, failure of the trade agreements and the increasing threat of war in Europe are supposed to have sold Mr. Hull on the promise of the plan. The barter arrangement which the Byrnes plan envisions is typical of the thinking done by the New Deal's semi-Socialists who would alter America's form of Government in the storm of war and the stress of continued depression.

Mr. Hull realizes that the advent of barter on any sizable scale means the doom of our economy and Government. America, through a paradox, is forced into barter by the exact reversal of the situation that forced Germany, Italy, Japan and Russia into this system of exchange. They lacked gold, and accordingly forced their citizens to rely on barter for the necessities of life. America has cornered the world's gold supply, and now the nations from whom America has drawn the gold are unable to purchase America's products on a gold basis.

With wide adoption of barter will come a vast extension of imperialism and war. Peoples groveling under a depressed standard of life will be driven to armed conflict; the imperialism of international finance will increase.

If America's first venture into the field of barter means the eventual adoption of this system of economy, State Socialism is just one step off. Germany and Russia adopted barter after their respective revolutions.

Workers Alliance Official Says He Is Red

HERBERT BENJAMIN

Wagner Changes Appear Likely

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Developments in the Senate and House in the last fortnight virtually assure revision of the Wagner Labor Act during the current session of Congress.

As the Senate Committee on Education and Labor proceeded with its consideration of several proposed amendments, the House Labor Committee, in a surprise move, announced it would hold similar hearings probably early in May.

Shortly after the House decision Representative Robert Ramspeck of Alabama, a member of the labor committee, said he would sponsor a bill proposing the abolition of the present National Labor Relations Board and the substitution of a five-man board comprised of Representatives from each section of the United States.

Ramspeck said that inasmuch as labor problems of each section of the country vary, all should be represented on the Board. At least one of the five members would be from the minority party.

Unlike many critics of the Wagner Act, Ramspeck is considered a friend of labor and his political opponents generally are anti-laborites. He numbers among his friends and supporters most of the labor leaders in his home state.

This is expected to add considerable strength to his proposal and lend authority to his criticism of the present Board. He said at least two of its three members are rabid C.I.O. partisans, a charge which has been hurled at the Board by the A.F.L. as well as employers.

Board Chairman J. Warren Madden denied the allegations in testimony before the Senate Labor Committee and declared modification of the Wagner Act would curtail the liberties of labor.

Some observers point out that the only obstacle to at least minor and perhaps major revision of the Act is the multiplicity of proposals for amendment. They believe that if, by compromise, these can be molded into one bill, the long-needed modification will become a reality before Congress adjourns.

Secretary Admits Being Communist; President Attended Moscow Parley

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Communist domination of the Workers Alliance, a union of W.P.A. workers, was revealed in the House last week as Herbert Benjamin, second-highest official of the Alliance, admitted he has been a Communist Party member 18 years.

He is general secretary-treasurer of the union. Testifying before the House Committee investigating the W.P.A., he said also that he believed Arnold Johnson and Sam Wiseman, members of the Alliance executive board, are Communists, and that Alex Noral, another board member, formerly belonged to the Communist Party.

Under questioning Benjamin admitted he had been a Communist Party organizer in several districts, and said he had visited Soviet Russia before becoming secretary of the Alliance. He denied, however, that he had ever attended conventions of the Communist International in Russia.

He denied also that the Communist Party advocates overthrow of the United States Government by force or violence.

It is his belief, he said, that there is no conflict between the philosophy of the Communist Party and the principles of democracy. To him the godless dictatorship of Russia is no different from the freedom and liberty of America.

He contended his espousal of Communism has no effect upon his policies as an officer of the Alliance, and declared he is governed by "expression of views of the organization."

Previously J. O'Connor Roberts, attorney for the House committee, read from a report alleged to have been made by Benjamin to the Communist International. The report hailed the Alliance as a great victory in the Communist Party's four-year campaign to organize relief workers and the unemployed.

Confronted with a booklet in which he exhorted relief workers not to hesitate to exercise their "right to strike" in order to avoid starvation, Benjamin protested he no longer subscribed to that belief.

"No one in America shall starve!" the booklet stated. "Franklin D. Roosevelt will not fulfill this pledge. But the workers of America can give it meaning through the invincible power of the strike."

David Lasser, leftist president of the Alliance, preceded Benjamin in testimony before the committee. He admitted having visited Soviet Russia, at the Alliance's expense, in 1937 when the Soviet trade unions invited him to be a delegate at the twentieth anniversary of the Red revolution. He denied, however, that he is a member of the Communist Party, and identified himself as a former Socialist.

Although articles bearing his name have appeared in the Communist *Daily Worker*, official organ of the Communist Party in America, Lasser denied he had written them and said they had been published without his permission.

Questioned about finances of the Alliance, he disclosed that Robert Marshall, head of the recreation and lands division of the Department of Agriculture, had contributed $2,500 to the union.

Marshall told the press he had donated the money because he believed the unemployed have "a right to organize as well as any other group;" and that "the Workers Alliance has done a swell job on the whole and some of the things said against it has been nonsense."

The "things" to which Marshall referred obviously are the wholesale charges that Communists and Communist sympathizers dominate the Alliance—charges substantiated by the testimony of Lasser and Benjamin.

Benjamin told the committee that the United Automobile Workers Union, which recently elected an executive board of Communist-supported candidates, had donated $7,000 to the Alliance in 1938.

Both Lasser and Benjamin took affront at the committee's delving into their Communistic records. Surly, they charged the committee's line of questioning was designed only to net publicity for its members. In reluctance to disclose their Red connections they whimpered that the committee was not proving what it had set out to prove.

Their own testimony, however, belied this charge by establishing definitely that both are allied closely with the Soviet Union.

Object of the investigation of the Alliance is to determine the power exerted by the union in the W.P.A. Some committee members maintain that the organization and its Red leaders dominate relief administration in many large cities. One representative said he had been told the Alliance "absolutely controls" W.P.A. administrative personnel in New York City and about half the relief personnel of Philadelphia and Washington, D. C.

Martin to Affiliate Faction With A.F.L.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN—Bearing out predictions made when he seceded from the C.I.O. and established an independent unit of the United Automobile Workers Union, Homer Martin last week announced that his organization had been re-chartered by the A.F.L.

He said his agreement with President William Green to affiliate with the A.F.L. would be submitted to the auto workers for approval.

Martin pointed out that although the A.F.L. would co-operate fully with the union's organization drive and other activities, it would not interfere with the auto workers' autonomy.

Such interference by John L. Lewis and the C.I.O. was one of the principal causes for Martin's dispute with Lewis and the subsequent split in the U.A.W.

Martin anticipates no jurisdictional difficulties with the Federation through the new alliance. He said the A.F.L. would relinquish 22 craft unions in the auto industry and allow the U.A.W. to absorb them. All plans, he emphasized, are subject to a favorable referendum vote by U.A.W. members whom he estimated at about 200,000.

"The new set-up is a definite step toward establishment of a united labor movement throughout the nation," he said.

Both his group and the Communist-controlled C.I.O. faction recently announced they would begin a strenuous organization campaign of Ford Motor Company employes in an effort to secure collective bargaining recognition in Ford plants.

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First Tour May 15

Railroads to Bring Many Pilgrimages to Shrine of Little Flower

JUDGING FROM THE ENORMOUS AMOUNT of letters and other inquiries, all signs point to the fact that interest in the Shrine of the Little Flower is greater today than at any former time. This summer, therefore, will see the largest influx of visitors ever to visit this beautiful edifice.

Already, railroads, transportation agencies, travel bureaus and friends of Father Coughlin are making arrangements so that large groups of people can come to Royal Oak this summer.

From the "Queen City of the West," Cincinnati, Ohio, from the charming southern city of Louisville, from the Western city of St. Louis and from the various cities of the Northern states, groups are planning to visit the Shrine. People of all faiths and denominations and people of all classes, yet all imbued with a love of St. Therese and devoted to the principle of "Justice" will travel to Royal Oak this summer.

Persons living in New York City, Brooklyn, Long Island, New Jersey and Connecticut are planning to come in a group under the leadership of Bryan B. O'Rourke and Mr. F. J. Wild of the Erie Railroad. Mr. O'Rourke's office is located at 1807 Westchester Avenue, Bronx, N. Y., and Mr. Wild's office is in Rockefeller Center, 630 Fifth St., New York City, New York.

Many friends of Father Coughlin in Philadelphia, Maryland and Washington, D. C. are planning a tour to Royal Oak over the week end of July 9th. Inquire at the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, 151 So. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Peter F. Rydzynski, 637 So. Streeper St., Baltimore, Maryland and Baltimore Social Tours, 328 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Md. will take care of all reservations in this locality.

Supporters of Father Coughlin living in Pittsburgh are planning a trip to Royal Oak over the week end of July 22nd. It is under the direction of Mrs. Anna M. Nardina, 1361 Oakhill St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., Linden 4775-J, also E. N. Robison, 122 P. & L. E. Station, Pittsburgh Pa., Court 3201, Ext. 218.

Men and women living in Chicago who are interested in joining a tour to Royal Oak over the week end of June 25th are requested to contact International Tours and Travel Service Bureau, 104 S. Clark St., Chicago, Illinois.

Individuals of Cincinnati and Marion, Ohio are planning a tour to Royal Oak via the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. More information as to the various groups who are planning to visit Royal Oak will continue to appear in the pages of SOCIAL JUSTICE.

Shrine Tour Dates

May 15—Special Tour from St. Louis.

May 28-30—New York, Brooklyn, Albany, Troy.

June 11—Buffalo, Syracuse, Rochester, Eastern New York.

June 18 — Columbus, Delaware, Marion, O.

July 2-3-4—New England States.

July 9—Eastern Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Maryland, Baltimore, New Jersey, Washington, D. C.

July 16—Second Tour from Eastern New York, Rochester, Buffalo.

July 23—Pittsburgh, Altoona, Southern Ohio, Cincinnati, Dayton, Springfield, Kentucky.

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—So the People May Know—

The response to Father Coughlin's radio call for opinions as to whether or not he should remain on the air during the summer has been amazing in its unanimity. Thousands of letters say as if with one great composite national voice: "This is no time to leave the air to the Reds." There were very few exceptions.

This result is most gratifying to Father Coughlin. It shows the alertness of the American people to the menaces of this most fateful year in United States history. It proves their deep concern for their future as a free nation. It tells most eloquently the fact that THE PEOPLE WANT THE TRUTH—NOW!

Fear of another futile foreign war, with its toll of life and wealth, is a burning canker in the brain of America today. The hawkers of blood are goading our national Administration. The munition tycoons, the international moneybund are roaring for war. The lives of a million American boys are hanging by a thread today.

Absolute Neutrality!

The United States MUST remain absolutely neutral and out of the mess that is Europe. During the coming months Congress MUST be encouraged by a weight of public opinion to pass air-tight and fool-proof neutrality legislation.

THE FATE OF AMERICA RESTS WITH THE UNITED STATES SENATE!

Father Coughlin's weekly broadcasts are the greatest possible help to those of our Senators who are struggling to keep us out of foreign war. These men NEED the aid of powerful public opinion in their battle with blood-sucking internationalists. Unless they receive this support in the impending crisis, our nation will pass through a welter of blood into the yawning maw of Bolshevism. Christianity and liberty will have died forever!

Now that the people have spoken their desire that Father Coughlin remain on the air during the summer, the people MUST make this financially possible. Father Coughlin is merely the spokesman for millions of right-thinking Americans. He is giving his brain, his energy, his very life to the cause of Christian Americanism. You—and you—and you—wherever you live in this not-so-happy land MUST give him the necessary material support.

Finances Sinking

Father Coughlin's broadcasts have been up to now made possible by the contributions of thousands of men and women who are AWARE of their value. These funds will rapidly be exhausted. Unless thousands of others come forward—and do it now—broadcasting MUST cease.

The weekly broadcasts are paid for at full commercial rates. There are no discounts. THERE ARE NO BACKERS. There is no foreign government such as Moscow to foot the bills.

Have you done your share to maintain these most important weekly messages? Ask yourself this question NOW. Ask yourself whether or not you are willing to aid NOW, while liberty still remains in America, rather than suffer the tortures of Red persecution and perhaps death in the near future.

If every reader of SOCIAL JUSTICE, in moderate circumstances, will contribute $1, $2, $3 or $5 NOW—if every man and woman who can afford it will help out with $10, $20, $50 or $100 NOW—Father Coughlin will be able to remain on the air during the summer months.

There must be no delay. It must be known definitely how much money will be in reserve before summer and fall broadcasting can be assured. Unless sufficient is donated in advance, contracts with radio stations cannot be arranged for the year. THESE CONTRACTS CAN NEVER AGAIN BE REVIVED!

That is the situation. Let the truth be known. The future of America could depend upon whether Father Coughlin speaks this summer or is forced, through lack of finances, to remain silent.

The decision is up to you—TODAY

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I wish to contribute to the 1939 Summer Broadcasting Fund so that Father Coughlin may continue to spread principles of genuine Americanism.

I hereby pledge the sum of $_____ which I am enclosing herewith or which I will send in two equal monthly remittances on or before May 5 and on or before June 5.

My Name Is _____

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